

Reprisal actions for stoning feared

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Security forces last night received reports that Jewish settlers from the Hebron area were planning vigilante action against residents of the Arab village of Yatta after several stone throwing incidents there over the past few days. Patrols were to have been sent to the area.

Yesterday morning, four or five settlers from Carmel, southeast of Hebron, entered a boys' school in Yatta, and reportedly fired into the air and threatened the teachers and students with their weapons after they were stoned as they drove through the large village. They detained two boys and handed them over to the police.

At the Dehaishe refugee camp south of Bethlehem, residents fled to the camp's eastern outskirts in panic after settlers from Kiryat Arba and other Jewish settlements in the area blocked the main road to Jerusalem.

The settlers arrived in several cars, which they parked in the road to ask to halt traffic, and held placards and chanted slogans warning the Arab residents that they will not tolerate more stone throwing.

They also demanded firmer action from the Israel Defence Forces to stop the stone attacks which they said are an almost daily risk when they travel through the administered areas.

Local sources reported that in the morning, a few settlers accompanied by Border Policemen entered the local boy's school and demanded that the principal help them identify the youths who stoned their car. The principal reportedly refused and was taken to the military government headquarters and questioned for three hours. Military sources could not confirm this report last night.

In Ramallah, a woman soldier was slightly injured in the face by glass splinters when the windshield of the car she was travelling in was smashed by a rock. A Border Policeman was injured in the leg during stonethrowing in Nablus.

Following demonstrations and stonethrowing, the Nablus casbah and the Jelazoun refugee camp were placed under curfew. Disturbances were also reported from the Askar and Balata refugee camps near Nablus.



Pope John Paul II kisses the ground on arrival at San Jose airport in Costa Rica yesterday. The pope has started a tour of all Central American countries. (UPI/telephoto)

Lebanon would let IDF units make patrols across border

Jerusalem Post Staff

Lebanon would agree to Israeli soldiers' carrying out patrols in the Lebanon area in coordination with the Lebanese Army after the Israel Defence Forces pullback. This was confirmed — for the first time publicly — by a Lebanese spokesman at yesterday's round of Israel-Lebanon-U.S. negotiations in Geneva.

Spokesman Amin Mallouf said that the security subcommittee of the Lebanese parliament has agreed to let Israeli soldiers make patrols in the Lebanon area under Lebanese army supervision.

While there thus appears to be a narrowing of the gaps on security issues, no progress is detectable on issues of "mutual relations" or "normalization." At the start of yesterday's session, Israel's chief negotiator, David Kimche, said Lebanon's proposal for an "interim" arrangement in the area was unclear to Israel, because the Lebanese team had failed to provide details.

"We must know what exactly it is we have in mind — then we can determine whether it is negotiable," Kimche urged. He stressed, though, that Israel's position is that an "interim" arrangement must be no less broad in scope than the envisaged final arrangement.

Israel has indicated that it could be accommodating on the question of nomenclature. If terminating the initial accord an "interim" arrangement will help the Lebanese mollify Arab suspicions, Israel will cooperate in that. But in practice, the Israeli team continues to stress, the border must be open, straight after the IDF withdrawal, to a substantial flow of persons and goods in both directions.

But another Lebanese spokesman insisted yesterday that Lebanon's ideas regarding "normalization" remain much more modest than Israel's.

Mallouf said: "It makes no sense to make agreements now on tourism and trade, because Lebanon has to consider its relations with the Arab world."

Notwithstanding this continued Lebanese reluctance to contemplate broad-based "normalization," commerce officials of the two sides met for the first time yesterday to consider such practical details as customs procedures at the border.

U.S. sources: Israel can destroy SA-5s

By WOLF BLITZER
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WASHINGTON. — Israel has the military and technological capability to knock out the recently installed, Soviet-supplied SA-5 long-range surface-to-air missiles in Syria. But Washington does not expect an Israeli military action in the near future, *The Jerusalem Post* learns.

What could be expected to trigger an Israeli preemptive strike would be the introduction of additional Soviet-supplied shorter-range missiles designed to protect the new SA-5 missile sites, authoritative U.S. sources said yesterday.

The U.S. has not flatly warned Israel against undertaking such a strike, the sources said. But neither has Washington given Israel a "green light."

Instead, the Reagan administration has simply shared with Jerusalem much of its information and intelligence on the dispatch of the SA-5s to Syria. The missile

Israel won't attack, says chief of staff

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Chief of Staff Rav-Alif Rafael Eitan said yesterday that Israel has no intention of attacking the Soviet-made SA-5 missiles in Syria or the Syrian Army.

Speaking to residents of the Beit Barri home for the aged in Jerusalem, Eitan said that Israel maintains daily contact with the Americans regarding the situation in Syria and said: "we are on the same wavelength."

Eitan was later the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Israel Council of Young Israel at the Jerusalem Hilton, where he spoke about the need for aliyah.

3 soldiers hurt when convoy runs into ambush in Lebanon

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Three soldiers were wounded yesterday noon when their convoy ran into an ambush south of Damur in Lebanon, the Israel Defence Forces spokesman announced yesterday.

The convoy — a bus and two trucks — was on its way from Ein Zahlata to Israel. At about 12:30, it reached the coastal road and some four kilometres south of Damur attackers opened light arms fire.

The soldiers immediately fired back and radioed for help.

IDF troops arrived and began searching for the attackers, who according to one report, fled through the thick undergrowth. Military sources said last night the attackers were not found.

Helicopters evacuated the three wounded. One soldier — who had been travelling in the bus — was rushed to the surgical ward in Haifa's Rambam Hospital.

The two other soldiers were in a truck. One, about to complete his military service, was lightly wounded in the head by shrapnel. The other, on his way to leave, suffered superficial wounds.

There have recently been several attacks on IDF convoys in the area. To reduce the risks involved in getting to Israel and back, the IDF has been flying soldiers from Damur by helicopter but military sources said last night that not all soldiers are flown.

OC Southern Command: Mines that killed 5 Beduin came from across border

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The mines that killed five Beduin in the Negev last week were laid by people who crossed the border to Egypt, OC Southern Command Aluf Haim Erez confirmed yesterday.

The attackers laid two mines on the route from the border, some eight kilometres inside Israel. A Peugeot pick-up van hit one mine; three Beduin were killed and two wounded. Two more Beduin were killed and two were wounded when their car hit another mine as they drove to rescue the first group.

Erez made his statement during a condolence call on the Azazme tribe near Tze'elim in the western Negev. Military sources said, however, it was not yet clear who the attackers were. Egypt has cooperated with Israel to prevent attacks.

The local Beduin reported finding a number of mines in the vicinity, which is an Israel Defence Forces training area. Military sources said sappers were sent there and pronounced them "harmless training mines."

Treasury, doctors will discuss double basic pay

But sanctions continue until talks begin

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel Medical Association and the Treasury last night agreed to resume negotiations over the doctors' wage demands. The doctors will suspend their sanctions, now in their third day, for the duration of the talks, which will start tomorrow night and continue no longer than one week.

But the decision to suspend the action must be ratified by the IMA's authorized forum, consisting of its central committee and hospital staff-committee heads, who will meet at noon today in Tel Aviv.

The doctors will continue today to collect 15600 from every patient receiving treatment in emergency rooms and hospital outpatient clinics. Fees will not be collected from Friday evening until Saturday evening to avoid problems with Orthodox patients.

The agreement initialled last night by both sides proposes a doubling of the doctors' basic pay, give or take 10 per cent. All other wage claims, including the amount of pay for extra duty shifts, are subject to negotiations without prior conditions.

The agreement also stipulates that the IMA will today seek the approval of its "authorized forum" to suspend the doctors' action and resume normal work immediately. Once the strike has been officially

suspended, the negotiations will start tomorrow night, with a one-week time limit.

The agreement was hammered out during 12 hours of tense and often stormy meetings yesterday, under the guidance of Menahem Porush, chairman of the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee.

Porush, who announced to the committee that he was willing to act as middleman in solving the wage dispute, met with Prime Minister Menachem Begin at noon to give the premier a full report on the situation.

Porush then gave a similar report to Gideon Pati, who is acting as finance minister while Yoram Aridor is abroad. Porush also spoke with Andor by phone in South Africa, it was learned.

The involvement of Begin and signs of flexibility on the part of the Treasury apparently convinced the doctors that it was worthwhile to go on talking after the lunch break.

Porush, displaying considerable skill as an arbitrator, managed to bridge the seemingly unbridgeable gap between the two sides and presented three proposals: the doctors must suspend their action in order for the government to start negotiating; the doctors' base pay must be raised, with a corresponding change in their earnings for extra duty; and the negotiations, once started on Saturday night, must continue "day and night" for no longer than a week.

The doctors adjourned to a nearby room, and after a heated two-hour discussion decided that they would not consider suspending their strike unless they received a written undertaking from the Treasury to raise their base salary by 100 per cent.

Hillel Dudai, the head of the Treasury's wage division, agreed in principle with the idea of restructuring of the doctors' wage structure. But he insisted that the total wage rise not exceed the 22 per cent hike set down by the 1982 collective wage agreement.

"The doctors' 'wage-pie' will remain the same. What will change is the way it's sliced up," Dudai told *The Jerusalem Post*. A doctor's pay slip consists of 40 per cent base salary and 60 per cent earnings from standby and night duty shifts, he said.

This could be rearranged, with the doctors' base pay pegged at a higher rate, and less payment for extra duty, he said.

Proceedings were halted for over an hour while the IMA representatives waited for their chief legal adviser, Simcha Keisman, to arrive from Tel Aviv. The doctors apparently felt that yesterday's meeting would end in the same dead end as a long discussion held on Wednesday, and had not bothered to bring along their top lawyer.

Some three hours after Keisman's arrival, after several drafts of the

Universities agree to postpone closure

Jerusalem Post Staff

The closure of the universities threatened for Sunday has been postponed for at least a day, following a Treasury agreement to seek more money to help the universities pay their academic salaries.

At the same time, however, it was revealed yesterday that the Treasury plans to tax several elements of teachers' earnings and thus recoup a large part of the sums it will transfer to the universities.

An accord reached between Professor Haim Harari, chairman of the Council for Higher Education, and the head of the Finance Ministry budget division, Ya'acov Gadish, led the Treasury yesterday to ask the Knesset Finance Committee to approve an addition of some ISL.8 billion to the academic institutions' budget, thus enabling them to pay February's salaries.

The heads of the country's universities last night therefore decided to postpone the threatened closure of their institutions until after the Finance Committee deals with the universities' budget crisis on Monday.

The Treasury said that it plans to finance the budgetary addition from taxes to be imposed on the Sabbath and advanced-study funds of the academic staff, and by other means.

In Haifa, the administrative, technical and engineering staffs of the Technion stopped work for three hours yesterday morning to protest against non-payment of their salaries. The faculty carried on as usual.

The staffs also decided to ask the labour council to declare an official labour dispute and later staged a sit-in outside the Technion president's office.

No injuries as IAF plane rashes near Galilee town

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ALFA. — An Israel Air Force plane crashed and burst into flames in a field between the Soltam and em factories on the outskirts of Yotvata yesterday. Nobody was injured and the pilot parachuted to safety after guiding his craft away from buildings, the Israel Defence Forces spokesman said.

Security forces arrived at the site shortly after the crash, at 2 p.m., and sealed off the area while men tackled the blaze, which raged for nearly two hours. An IDF spokesman later reported that the crash was due to a technical fault.

Yotvata Mayor Ilan Gabrieli told *The Jerusalem Post* that residents saw the pilot maneuver his plane so as to avoid buildings before he bailed out.

He said the pilot, who suffered only scratches, told them that the plane was fully armed and had suffered a fire and a series of explosions for several minutes before the crash.

It was the second plane crash in the Yotvata area in two years. In the previous incident, a woman was killed, a few persons were injured and a number of houses destroyed.

Maccabi beats the champs

Post Sports Reporter

A great second-half performance of Maccabi Tel Aviv to a vital 84 victory over the reigning champions, Ford Cantu of Italy, last night, giving the Israeli champions a chance of qualifying for the European Cup basketball finals for this month.

Another sterling performance by Williams and a wonderful stop role by Howard Lassoff helped Maccabi pick themselves up when they seemed down and out in a raucous drive to the title that ignited the fans who packed Yad

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Wet weekend

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT DAGAN. — It is going to be another wet weekend, but the duty weatherman here says that it will not be as stormy or as cold as the previous two weekends.

Rain in the north was expected to start last night and to spread southward this afternoon, blanketing about half the country.

Meteorologist Nurik Feldheim told *The Jerusalem Post* that tomorrow the rain will continue, together with heavy southwesterly winds. In the south it will be hazy, she said. Temperatures will drop about 3 to 5 degrees centigrade in the coastal area.

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FRANKFURT	1	30	41	Cloudy
GENEVA	3	27	43	Clear
HAMBURG	14	27	43	Clear
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Cloudy with rain, temperatures falling during day.
Outlook for Sabbath: Cloudy, rain.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min-Max	Max
Jerusalem	57	2-16	10
Golan	40	4-13	10
Nahariya	51	7-17	14
Safed	68	7-10	8
Haifa Port	61	2-	14
Tiberias	61	7-17	14
Nazareth	55	7-15	12
Afula	55	5-18	13
Shomron	54	5-18	12
Tel Aviv	36	8-23	16
B-G Airport	37	7-23	16
Jericho	40	6-22	18
Gaza	25	8-24	18
Beersheba	25	6-22	17
Eilat	24	9-24	21

ARRIVALS

Dr. Samuel Cohen, Executive Vice-President, Jewish National Fund of America, for the JNF of America National Assembly in Eilat and Jerusalem, March 3-13.

Prison guard held for arming inmate

RAMLAH. — A guard who allegedly smuggled a pistol to an inmate of the Ramla prison was yesterday remanded into custody for seven days by Magistrate's Court Judge Yosef Paz.

The name of the suspect, 35, has not been released. He has been in the service four years.

Public council formed to reduce social gap

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A public council to reduce the social gap was formed yesterday at a meeting of some 200 intellectuals and industrialists at Tel Aviv's Dan Hotel.

The conference was initiated by the Beyahad ("Together") movement founded by Israelis of North African origin and headed by Sami Ben-Shitrit.

Among those attending were Knesset Members Naftali Blumenthal (Alignment), Yigael Hurvitz (Likud-La'am), Meir Shitrit (Herut), Rafael Edri (Alignment) and Avraham Shapira (Agudat Yisrael). Professors Avner Shaki and Efraim Urbach, Manufacturers Association Chairman Eli Hurvitz and poet Erez Biton.

MK presented with German merit award

Post Political Correspondent

HERZLIYA. — Germans must never forget the past and must continue to strive for understanding between the Jewish and German peoples, German Ambassador Niels Hansen declared here yesterday.

The ambassador said the main hope lies in the younger generation, and therefore all German youth groups touring Israel visit the Yad Vashem, Martyrs and Heroes Memorial in Jerusalem.

He was speaking at a ceremony to mark the presentation of the Federal Republic's Order of Merit to Knesset Member Adiel Amori, chairman of the Public Council for Youth Exchange.

TEST. — The Education Ministry is considering raising the passing level of Hebrew for the bagrut examination. At present, students are required to pass a Hebrew test at the level of one unit. The new proposal would raise the level of the test to two units.

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HOME NEWS

MKs move to outlaw Kahane's 'Kach' group

By HAIM SHAPIRO and ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Police continued their search yesterday for a Kach supporter wanted for questioning in connection with the shooting in Hebron last Saturday in which a four-year-old girl was wounded.

There are persistent reports that the shooting is being linked to the grenade attack on a Peace Now demonstration last month in which a man was killed and several persons wounded.

The Knesset yesterday referred to committee, without opposition, a motion for the agenda by Yair Tsaban (Alignment-Mapam) calling for the outlawing of the Kach movement led by Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Two other supporters of the movement have been remanded into custody by the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court, which forbade publication of any identifying details. According to the attorney representing the two, Nitzav-Mishne Baruch Meir, who heads the special police unit investigating the Peace Now attack, requested the news blackout.

Police said yesterday that they were looking for another suspect in

the Kiryat Arba Yeshiva and the Kach settlement of El Nakam in the Hebron hills. Eyewitnesses reported that the police have been very thorough, and were also checking papers they found at the two sites.

The police said they are holding a number of people.

Presenting his motion to outlaw Kach, Tsaban said that by any accepted test, Kach is a fascist and racist group in its ideology, in its propaganda, and in its terrorist methods.

He recalled that former Supreme Court justice Moshe Ezrati, who headed the central elections committee for the Tenth Knesset, proposed the invalidation of the Kach list on the grounds that its platform called, in effect, for the enactment of "Nuremberg Laws" with respect to the Arab population.

A formal reply on behalf of the government was given by Deputy Minister Dov Shilansky, who apologized that actually, Interior Minister Yosef Burg had been due to reply but had left the Knesset through a misunderstanding. Shilansky did not take a stand on the content of Tsaban's motion, but moved that it be referred to the Law Committee.

4 Golan Druse sentenced to 3 to 8 years for spying

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Four Druse residents of the Golan Heights were yesterday sentenced by the district court here to between three and eight years in jail for spying for Syria. The group's leader, Fa'iz Mahmud, 26, was sentenced to eight years in jail; his accomplice, Wahib Sa'id Ahmad, 20, to five years; and Afif Mahmud, 44, and his son, Nidal, 20, to three years each.

The spy ring started last February, when Fa'iz crossed the border into Syria near his village, Majdal Shams, and met Syrian intelligence officers at the village of Khadur, on the slopes of Mount Hermon.

He started collecting information on military installations, the Israel Defence Forces' movements in the Golan and information on local Druse who "collaborated with the Zionist enemy". The defendant crossed the border seven times. During a visit to his village, he managed to recruit another resi-

dent, Wahib Sa'id. The two crossed the border several times with military information and newspapers.

The Syrian officers paid sums ranging from \$150 to \$200 for each mission. Nidal Mahmud joined the two, but for another reason. He said that he wanted to study at Damascus University, after the Israeli authorities turned down his appeal to study in Israel.

His father, Afif, encouraged him, and joined him in crossing into Syrian territory. The Syrian officers turned down the son's request to study in Syria, and the father's appeal to grant him permanent residence in their country. The Syrian officers ordered them to return immediately and to work for them. Afif prepared a report concerning the local Druse who had already accepted Israeli identity cards.

The court rejected the plea of the defendants' lawyer that the three did not cause serious damage to the security of Israel.

24-hour guard removed from former Nablus mayor

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BASSAM SHAKA. — The deposed mayor of Nablus, is no longer under a 24-hour Border Police guard.

The olive green jeep and the three troopers who constantly accompanied Shaka's life since he lost his legs in a bomb attack in June, 1980 were withdrawn several weeks ago, a senior military source confirmed this week.

Shaka, the unofficial chairman of the illegal National Guidance Com-

mittee, complained that, in effect, the Border Police guard was there to keep him from leaving Nablus and to intimidate people who came to see him.

The military source said the guards had been posted on the basis of information that Shaka's life was in danger. When this danger passed, the need for the guard disappeared.

Shaka is reported to spend most of his time in an apartment owned by his brother-in-law, not at his home overlooking Nablus.

MK intervenes for deposed Hebron village-league head

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Knesset Member David Magen, former Defence Minister Ariel Sharon's closest supporter in Herut, yesterday intervened with the Judea and Samaria civil administration on behalf of the deposed chairman of the Hebron-area village league, Mohammed Nasser.

Nasser met Magen in the Knesset yesterday and undertook to refrain from petitioning the High Court of Justice about his dismissal. In return, he will get back his pistol, which was seized together with the weapons issued to his supporters when the civil administration withdrew its support of him earlier this week. Nasser has said that his life is in danger.

The civil administration is starting a major audit of the books

of the different leagues, the accounts of their newspaper *al Mir'a*, and the accounts of the Federation of Palestinian Leagues, which is envisaged as the roof-organization and political mouthpiece of the leagues.

There are six village leagues active in the West Bank, and not 13 as erroneously reported yesterday.

The people in the leagues say they have each received about IS5 million as their operating budget for this year.

There has been no control over these funds, totalling some IS40 million, which are allocated from the Defence Ministry budget. This money goes to paying salaries for the large number of clerks and officials the leagues employ, numerous guards, and entertainment and office expenses.

Israel's image better in U.S.

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

There has been a significant improvement in Israel's public standing in the U.S., according to Julius Berman, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

Berman told Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir in Jerusalem yesterday that the upswing has made itself felt both in the news media and in the streets. The administration in Washington, Berman said, is certainly aware of this trend.

As for Jewish opinion, Berman continued, the dissent over Israeli policies that erupted during the Lebanon war, and especially after the Beirut massacre, has now largely given way to a new sense of unity and common cause.

There are still differences within the organized Jewish community, Berman acknowledged. But at meetings with top-level administration officials, the Jewish leadership presents a united front and speaks with one voice in support of Israel.



Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir greets Jamaica's Minister of Tourism and Information Anthony Abrahams. (Scoop '80)

Treasury says it is ready to finance Lavie jet project

Post Economic Reporter

The defence establishment will go ahead with the Lavie Jet-fighter project and in the coming months the Treasury is willing to lend the Israel Aircraft Industry the money to develop the aircraft. This was revealed yesterday at a joint meeting of the Knesset Finance and Foreign Affairs and Defence Committees.

The meeting, called to debate the IS274 billion defence budget for fiscal 1983, revealed that differences of opinion still exist between the Defence Ministry and the Treasury about the defence budget for the coming year.

When the budget was presented for government approval some months ago, then-defence minister Ariel Sharon demanded an ad-

ditional IS11b. But he was not able to persuade the cabinet.

According to the Treasury representatives at the meeting, the sums allocated to finance the stay of Israeli forces in Lebanon are enough to cover only one more month of operations. Although this is considered only a formal problem, it will make necessary a decision on additional sums if the situation persists.

The members of the committees were also informed that the Treasury and the Defence Ministry have decided to go ahead with the production of the Lavie. Although no information of the form of financing the project was given, the committees were told that if necessary the Treasury will lead the necessary sums to the IAI.

Egyptians say Taba talks making insufficient progress

ISMAILIA (AP). — Talks between Israel and Egypt on the Taba border dispute entered their second day yesterday with Egyptian sources reporting little progress.

Egyptian chief delegate Shafai Abdel-Hamid told reporters after yesterday's two-hour session that a subcommittee had been set up to "determine areas of agreement". Egyptian sources close to the talks said the subcommittee "did not achieve sufficient progress" at its first meeting.

Abdel-Hamid said the Egyptian side at yesterday's plenary meeting made a statement on "the necessity of entry into Taba of the (Sinai) multinational peacekeeping force to maintain security."

He said Israel also explained its position on this but he did not say what it is. Israeli delegates did not talk to reporters.

The Taba talks, which opened on Wednesday following a nine-month suspension, represented an upward swing in Egyptian-Israeli relations, severely strained by Israel's invasion of Lebanon.

Under a compromise formula arranged by the U.S., another set of talks on normalization of trade and other relations will also be revived later this month.

The Taba talks are being held, (with U.S. participation) at the Suez Canal Authority rest house in this city halfway along the waterway.

JERUSALEM POST POLL

Public divided on policy towards U.S.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The public is almost equally divided on the wisdom of the government's policy towards the U.S., with most Likud supporters backing the official line, and most Labour voters opposing it. Nearly half of the "floating" vote disagrees with the government's approach to Washington.

These are some of the findings of a poll conducted by the Modin Ezrachi Research Institute for *The Jerusalem Post* among a representative sample of 1,168 adults in mid-February.

In answer to the question, "What do you think of the government's recent approach to the U.S.?" 62.8 per cent of pro-Likud voters said it is "a wise policy," compared to 17.7 per cent of pro-Labour voters and 29.4 per cent of floating voters. Of

those who think the policy is unwise, 16.1 per cent were pro-Likud, 70.7 per cent pro-Labour and 41.2 per cent undecided. Of all respondents polled, 41 per cent felt it is a wise policy, 36.2 per cent said it is unwise and 22.8 per cent were undecided.

Asked about a completely different issue, three quarters of the respondents unreservedly favoured the institution of a commercial TV channel, with only a minority against. Those in favour come from all political groups and social strata.

In answer to the question, "Are you for or against setting up a commercial television channel?" 73 per cent said they are unreservedly for commercial TV, 9.1 per cent agreed with reservations, 14.6 per cent were opposed and 3.3 per cent were undecided.

Jewish-Arab friendship group invites mayors

NETANYA. — A new Association for Jewish-Arab Friendship has invited representatives from the five Jewish-Arab mixed towns to discuss ways of lowering tension in their communities.

The association, financed by the West German Seidel Fund, has set the meeting for mayors or other delegates from Haifa, Acre, Lod, Ramle and Tel Aviv-Jaffa for the end of the month. Most of the Arab mayors and council heads turned up for the as-

sociation's first meeting this week, but only 10 of the country's Jewish mayors came.

ORT. — The Spivak School in Holon's Jesse Cohen neighbourhood has been named the year's outstanding ORT school by the network of vocational-training institutions. Arye Reichman of the Netanya ORT school was named outstanding educator.

Father held as suspect in stabbing death of infant son

SDEROT (Iim). — Police have arrested a local man on suspicion of stabbing to death his infant son. The man, 30, has reportedly confessed in writing to the crime after first saying the infant was killed by its four-year-old brother.

The alleged murder occurred Wednesday evening, while the mother of the family was out shopping. She returned home to find her infant son — one week short of his first birthday — lying dead in his crib, covered with blood. Her four-year-old son stood wailing beside the crib and her husband lay on the floor.

The woman said her husband told her the infant's brother had stabbed the infant to silence it, while he had taken several tranquilizer pills because he could not fall asleep.

The husband repeated this story to police, but reportedly broke down and confessed when the officers pointed out that the four-year-old could not have managed physically to perform the murder act. The infant's jugular vein had been slashed with a large kitchen knife as it lay in its crib.

The mother said yesterday that she cannot believe her husband killed their child. "My husband, born on a kibbutz in Israel, was persecuted by the trauma of anti-Semitism all his life, after he moved

with his family to the Soviet Union and served in the Red Army and finally returned here."

According to his wife, the man was born on nearby Kibbutz Gvaram to parents who came to the country from the Soviet Union after World War II, after losing most of their families in the Holocaust. In 1957 — when Israel maintained relations with the Soviet Union — the family received word that the man's maternal grandfather was still alive there.

The suspect's parents received visas to visit his grandfather and took him — then four-years-old — with them. The Soviets did not permit the family to leave, however, and they were forced to settle near Minsk, where the boy grew up and eventually served in the Red Army.

His parents were permitted to leave Russia 14 years ago and settled in Australia. The suspect reached Israel in 1976, where he met his wife in an uplan. He recently quit his job at a nearby agricultural plant.

According to his wife, the man had been troubled ever since visiting his parents in Australia last December, and was scheduled for a second psychiatric examination in an Ashdod hospital yesterday. (See story Page 9)

Suspect says he killed his wife and daughter

TEL AVIV (Iim). — A 49-year-old resident of this city's Kerem Temanim neighbourhood yesterday gave himself up to the police, saying that he had murdered his wife and young daughter.

The man, Mordechai Ben-Hammo, later reconstructed a crime for the police on video-tape, in which he beat his wife Dina, 37, and her seven month old daughter Michal to death with a wooden

pick-h-ndle. Ben-Hammo told the police that he suspected his wife had been unfaithful to him and that the daughter was not his own. He later took his other daughter to his mother before giving himself up.

Police said that Ben-Hammo, a factory worker, has a record of violent behaviour. He is to be brought before a local district court judge today for a remand hearing.

Former Soviet settler called 'spy' in Beersheba

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — A Russian Jew who lived in Beersheba and then returned to the Soviet Union is called a Soviet spy in today's issue of the local weekly, KOL-BE. The man, Boris Brafstein, spent nearly two years in Beersheba, 10 years ago.

But a knowledgeable source concerning Brafstein's response: "It's not a case you can prove. I wouldn't take the chance of publicizing the story. Much damage can result if newcomers start being suspicious of one another."

Nobody denies the facts, but they are, at best, circumstantial. Brafstein, an engineer who was an active Zionist in Kiev, came to Israel with his wife and son (their second son was born in Beersheba) in 1971 and worked with several planning and construction companies. Twenty

months later, he suddenly returned to Kiev and has since written virulent letters and articles on the difficulties of living in Israel.

Those who knew him here say that he now works for OVIR, the agency that, among other things, grants exit visas.

What has not been fully established is that he was a Soviet agent while he lived here. —Ruth Baran, information director of the Public Council for Soviet Jewry, told *The Jerusalem Post* that she would prefer that such stories were not published. "The Soviet system encourages suspicions and some of these are carried over by Russian olim."

The high-ranking source at the Soviet Olim Association here who leaked the story stands fast behind it. "The fact that he returned to his apartment in Kiev after he left Israel is 99.9 per cent proof he was a spy."

TREASURY AND DOCTORS

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agreement had been haggled out, typed up and then discarded, the final draft was approved at 9 p.m.

Dr. Zeev Rothstein, head of the strike operations committee, said that the collection of IS600 for each doctor's visit proceeded smoothly yesterday in hospitals throughout the country. No patient was refused care in any hospital, and no complaints from the public were received at strike headquarters in Tel Aviv, Rothstein said.

The patient load in most hospitals was slightly higher than the 50 per

cent of normal flow recorded on Wednesday, the first day of the strike, he said.

Health-fund clinics, which did not collect fees yesterday but operated only from 8 a.m. to noon, reported heavier traffic than usual. The neighbourhood clinics will also operate today until noon with no collection of extra fees.

AWARDS. — Two Gutwirth family funds awarded IS6 million in scholarships and research grants at a ceremony in the Haifa Technion yesterday.

In deep sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather

MAX TOW

The funeral will take place today, Friday, March 4, 1983, at 2:30 p.m. at the Sayvon Cemetery.

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Ray Yehzekail Noor

Sarah Farber

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Dr. H.W. (Hermie) KUGELMANN

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Wife Ruth, Daniela and Raphie Grunfeld and children, Doreen and David Toledano and children and all his loving family.

On the fifth anniversary of the passing of the esteemed head of our family

Broadcasters infuriate Knesset committee

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

Broadcasting Authority heads got rough reception in the Education and Culture Committee yesterday when they plan to switch English and French broadcasts to a low-power transmitter.

Chairwoman Ora Namir tongue-lashed Authority chairman Reuven Aroon, telling him: "I am none the wiser for having heard you. This is a word of a parliamentary committee. I suggest you all do your homework and come back again next week to explain your plans."

The committee was discussing a motion from the plenum by Chaim Herzog (Alignment-Labour), who complained that the English and French programmes, which are now heard at full strength all over the Middle East, will be switched to a 217-kilowatt transmitter, which cannot even be picked up all over Israel.

Herzog said that Israel puts out two hours a day in English and French, whereas the Arabs put out 104 hours a day not counting foreign-language television.

Herzog said that apart from *The Jerusalem Post* and the foreign press corps here, Kol Yisrael's English and French broadcasts are Israel's first-line information tool.

Herzog invited foreign correspondents based in Israel and the Middle East to brief the committee on their personal experience with English and French radio programmes, and to give details of their impact in neighbouring Arab capitals. They said that after the damage to Israel's image as a result of the war in Lebanon, the closing of a major information channel will cause Israel further harm.

The director-general of the Authority, Yosef Lapid, irritated the committee members, especially when he said he will not agree to explain the situation while officials subordinate to him are present.

Lapid refused to allow one of these officials, Gideon Lev-Ari, director of radio, to speak to the committee. However, in answer to an interjection by one of the members, Lev-Ari admitted that he opposes downgrading the English and French broadcasts.

Committee members were further annoyed to hear from Yaron that the matter has already been decided, and that although the Authority is not required to listen to the Knesset committee it was willing to defer implementation briefly to allow the Knesset to express its view.

Conservative and Reform Jews rebuffed in Knesset vote

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

By a vote of 44-31, the Knesset yesterday defeated a Shinui bill that would have given Conservative and Reform movements in Judaism equal rights with those of Orthodox Judaism.

Most of the Liberals stayed out of the chamber, but Yitzhak Mordechai Ben-Porat, who presented the bill, said that all religious denominations in Israel enjoy freedom of worship and the right to maintain community life as they see fit — except Judaism.

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Relations with Ethiopia improving

Post Knesset Reporter

Relations between Israel and Ethiopia are "continuing to develop positively," Minister without Portfolio Mordechai Ben-Porat said yesterday in reply to a motion for a agenda by Dror Zeigerman (Kud-Liberal).

Ben-Porat said that with the encouragement of the Ethiopian Jewish Corporation three delegations, from Israel and Jewish communities abroad, recently visited Ethiopia. They had been warmly received not only by the Jewish community but also by the Ethiopian people.

The Jewish schools have been permitted to offer an eight-year curriculum instead of one of four, although teaching Hebrew is still forbidden, Ben-Porat said.

The Jews, like the rest of the population, are required to hear lectures on Marxism and efforts are being made to sever the Jews from their heritage, he said.

Zeigerman blamed the lack of coordination among government ministries for the failure to launch a public campaign for Ethiopian Jewry.

He said that Ethiopia's opening its gates to Western investment and tourism has created a unique opportunity for Israel to appeal to friendly nations to use their influence to get Ethiopia to change its policy on the emigration of Jews.

Top police investigator denies detention conditions are brutal

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The head of the police investigations division, Nitzav Yehzekel, told the Knesset Law Committee yesterday that the brutal detention conditions described by Daniel Hanoch to the committee the day before do not exist.

Hanoch, who was acquitted two weeks ago of his father's murder, told the committee he confessed to crime he did not commit because he could not stand the inhuman conditions of his detention in a local lockup in Haifa Port.

Carthy asserted that "Conditions of detention are not a five-star hotel and not a picnic, but they are not as they were described to you yesterday either."

He admitted, however, that "the poor human relations between the policemen on the investigating and interrogation teams had no precedent in the history of the force."

(One investigator incriminated two of his colleagues, who were tried and acquitted of abusing Hanoch, after which the court acquitted Hanoch as well. However, in their verdict acquitting Hanoch, Haifa District Court Judges Amnon Carmi, Haim Pizam and Avraham Hermon sharply rebuked the police for contradictions in their testimony.)

(The judges accepted Hanoch's allegations that he was deprived of the medical treatment and food he needed for his ulcer condition while in custody, noting that this must have contributed to his breaking down and "admitting" his guilt. The judges also accepted Hanoch's contention that he was tricked into performing the reconstruction of his alleged crime.)

Interior Minister Yosef Burg yesterday appointed a two-man committee to investigate the detention and interrogation methods in the Hanoch case: Tat-Nitzav Reuven Minkovsky, a veteran police officer, and Ruth Gadot, a lawyer connected to the police ombudsman's office. They are to submit their findings within 30 days.

Deputy Attorney-General Yehudit Karp shocked the Knesset Members when she declared that the committee does not have the right or the standing to intervene in the attorney-general's refusal to dismiss State Attorney Yona Blatman for his role in the complicated Hanoch case.

Committee chairman Eli Kulas reminded her that the Knesset defined her superior's competence and can redefine it, if it sees fit.



Youth groups demonstrate outside the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv yesterday to demand freedom for Prisoner of Zion Yosef Begun, who is serving a three-year sentence of exile in Siberia. Finland has been handling Soviet interests in Israel since the Soviet Union broke off diplomatic relations in 1967. (IPPA)

Oslo's FM backs Israel about UNIFIL

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Norway's Foreign Minister Svend Stray said yesterday he agrees with Israel that UNIFIL is not able to prevent terrorist activities in South Lebanon.

At a press conference in Jerusalem winding up his four-day official visit here, Stray said that UNIFIL is "not a fighting unit nor even a policing unit." It was set up, he said, "to keep guard between two parties who had agreed to stay apart... when the dividing line between them was basically agreed upon."

Norway has had a battalion in UNIFIL since the inception of the force after Operation Litani in 1978. In the current negotiations, Israel is opposing the continued deployment of UNIFIL in South Lebanon. Stray holds that if the force is to stay in the country, it should be stationed north of the proposed "security zone" in South Lebanon.

The Norwegian statesman termed the question of UNIFIL's future role in South Lebanon one "of detail, of minor importance" in the context of the negotiations. But he said that Norway's own position will be determined after an agreement is reached and after the UN Security Council has decided on UNIFIL's future.

It would be "not right" for him to comment on possible roles for UNIFIL at this time, Stray explained, because there are "different voices from the various different sides" on the issue.

Asked about a planned visit by PLO chairman Yasser Arafat to Scandinavia this month, the Norwegian foreign minister said he doubts very much if Arafat will come to Norway (though he is likely to visit Sweden). If he does come, Stray will not meet him "because as far as I know the PLO has not denounced its former terrorist activities. I would consider (meeting Arafat) if he were to admit his past terrorist activities were wrong and undertake not to carry out such activities anymore."

Stray said that Arafat was invited to Norway by the opposition Socialist Party.

He was reluctant to extrapolate from his own refusal to meet Arafat to an endorsement of Israel's refusal to have dealings with the PLO. For Israel, being a direct party to the conflict, other "pragmatic, direct" considerations may apply which do not apply to Norway, he said.

Stray was received by Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor yesterday.

Swiss extradite suspected safe-cracker

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Police said yesterday they have caught Haifa's number-one safe-cracker Arie (Avraham) Navat, with the help of Swiss police and Interpol.

Navat is charged with using stolen Israeli Defence Forces explosives to blast open safes at the Rambam Hospital pharmacy last December and stealing 7,284 ampoules of dangerous drugs, including morphine and opium.

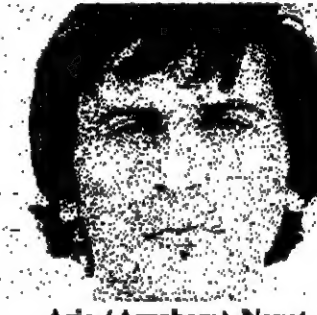
He left the country for Switzerland on February 20. Police teleaxed an urgent arrest order to their Swiss counterparts and Interpol. As a result, Navat was arrested as he stepped off the plane at Zurich Airport.

The Swiss agreed to his extradition and he was brought back to Israel in the custody of a Haifa policeman on Wednesday.

Navat, 32, is also charged with stealing explosives from an army base in the north on February 8. He was brought to court yesterday and remanded into custody for 15 days. Three other men and Navat's wife, Sarah, 35, have been arrested in connection with the incidents. Two of the men, Emil Sorro, 28, of Kiryat Motzkin, and Yitzhak Azulai, 23, of Haifa, appeared in court on Wednesday. The third man, David Shlomo, 24, of Moshav Granot, and Sarah Navat were brought to the court yesterday.

Sarah Navat was accused of helping her husband to sell ampoules of morphine. It was further alleged that during the past three years she received prescriptions for a large quantity of drugs from a 71-year-old Haifa doctor, in return for which she gave him sexual favours. She was remanded for 15 days.

The doctor was brought to court on Wednesday and released on bail of IS100,000. He was also ordered to surrender his passport.



Arie (Avraham) Navat

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W. German poll battle centres on unemployment

BONN. — As the German Federal Republic entered the final run-up to Sunday's general election, official figures yesterday showed unemployment of more than 2.5 million for the first time, and a rift within Chancellor Helmut Kohl's right-centre alliance broke into the open.

With a major televised debate scheduled for last night among the leaders of the four main political parties, both left and right tried to make political capital out of the employment figures for February released yesterday by the Federal Labour Office in Nuremberg.

The government said a much slower rate of increase between January and February — 50,000 against a rise of 270,000 between December and January — showed that economic recovery had begun.

But the opposition Social Democrats (SPD) called February's total of 2.54 million unemployed alarming, and forecast that the figure will reach three million by the end of the year if government policy remains unchanged.

The figures represent 10.4 per cent of the labour force — about the same as that in the U.S. but generally better than most West European industrialized nations.

The SPD said in a statement it was particularly alarming that, according to yesterday's official figures, there are only 81,700 job vacancies.

As the employment figures were being released, rifts in the Kohl alliance broke into the open when Interior Minister Friedrich Zimmermann publicly proposed his controversial Bavarian colleague,

Franz Josef Strauss, as the next foreign minister.

Zimmermann told the Munich Press Club that Strauss, head of the Bavarian Christian Social Union, will be in a strong position to replace present Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher even if Genscher's small Liberal Free Democratic Party (FDP) gains the 5 per cent vote it needs to stay in parliament.

Christian Democratic (CDU) Chancellor Kohl's three-party coalition has been bedevilled by disputes between the right-wing Christian Social Union and the Liberals since it took office in October.

In Washington, U.S. officials believe Kohl will win in Sunday's elections, thus helping pave the way for deployment of new American nuclear missiles.

Some officials fear a victory by Hans-Jochen Vogel of the Social Democratic Party could provoke a costly delay in the missile installation. West Germany is scheduled to be one of the first European countries to install the U.S. Cruise and Pershing II missiles.

While Kohl is firmly committed to the strategy, Vogel has suggested a review focusing on whether the U.S. has been sincere in efforts to negotiate an arms-control agreement with the Soviet Union.

"There is no doubt that in the current situation, the Christian Democratic Party is more capable of managing the government and is more attuned to our ideas than the Social Democratic Party," said a State Department official. (Reuter, AP)



Arthur Koestler and wife Cynthia.

(Camera Press)

Arthur Koestler, wife in 'apparent suicide'

Jerusalem Post Staff and agencies

Arthur Koestler, author of *Darkness at Noon*, the widely acclaimed novel on the Stalin purges, and his wife were found dead yesterday in their flat in London in what police called an apparent double suicide.

Police sources said Koestler, 77, and his wife apparently took an overdose of drugs. The sources said Koestler was believed to have been suffering from leukemia and Parkinson's disease.

Police officers were summoned to the Koestler home by a maid and found the bodies of the author and his wife, Cynthia, in separate chairs in the living room, a Scotland Yard spokesman said.

Press Association said the maid had also found a note, the contents of which were not disclosed. Mrs. Koestler was in her 50s.

The Koestlers were members of the voluntary euthanasia society "Exit," and he became one of its vice-presidents in 1981. He wrote a preface to the group's *Guide to Self-Suicide*, about how to commit suicide. Humans, unlike animals, do not die "peacefully and without fuss in old age," he wrote.

Koestler, born in Hungary but later naturalized as a British citizen, published *Darkness at Noon* in 1940. At the time, it was heralded as the most important political novel of a generation.

Koestler was the only child of an impoverished middle-class Jewish family. His father was a typical *tsimmes*, a rootless businessman who finally lost all his capital.

Koestler's life was made up of "magnificent" revivals and hasty retreats, the most fascinating of which was his encounter with Judaism, Zionism and Eretz Yisrael.

He left Vienna where he was a student, in April, 1926 and landed at Haifa a few weeks later with a single British pound in his pocket. He went by foot to Kibbutz Heftziba in the Jezreel Valley, where he had an acquaintance, and hoped to become a member.

Although he was shocked by the primitive and drab surroundings, poor food and hard work, he made an effort to stay. But he was rejected.

Koestler was a declared Revisionist and revealed his intention of staying at the kibbutz no more than a year or two, and later to turn to writing or politics. This was anathema to other members, and he had to walk back to Haifa.

Koestler went hungry for almost a year. He supported himself in various occupations, including an attempt to sell cold lemonade at Haifa's Arab market. He also

wandered around the land, editing Revisionist bulletins.

Slowly, however, he established himself. He became for three months an assistant editor of an Arab-German journal published in Cairo. Finally, he won a much-coveted journalistic assignment and became the Middle East correspondent of the powerful German *Welt* press empire.

Koestler was soon able to rent a comfortable flat in Jerusalem's Rehov Hanevi'im. His frequent articles and interviews with important Middle Eastern personalities became a standard feature of the German press.

In 1929 he demanded a transfer and left for Paris. He justified this by his desire to identify himself more closely with European culture. He described Hebrew as a dead language and a wall separating the *Yishuv* here from Western civilization.

Communist Party activities, a visit to Russia, reporting on the Spanish Civil War, voluntary service in the French and British armies during World War II, were Koestler's stepping stones to a literary career.

Imprisonment by General Franco and the Vichy French added laurels to Koestler's record. The Moscow trials and the disillusionment with the Communist Party gave birth to his new political philosophy.

Koestler was a well-informed and intelligent representative of anti-communism. He published *The Gladiators* in 1939, *Darkness at Noon* in 1940, *The Yogi and the Commissar* in 1945 and *The Trial of the Donkey* in 1955. Koestler, however, eventually gave up his position as a political prophet and jumped to other subjects.

He wrote a book on Zen Buddhism and a few books on Israel and Judaism.

His novel, *Thieves in the Night*, was a brilliant study of people's reaction to oppression. His *Judiasm at the Crossroads*, however, published in 1971, raised many eyebrows. His credo was simple: if only the Jews renounced their identity, the world would love them.

Koestler reduced Israel to the status of a home for the homeless. He explained that there would be no more Buchenwalds if there were no more Jews. He even dug out the old Roman saying that he who rules the territory determines your religion.

In his book *The Thirteenth Tribe* — the *Khazar Empire and its Heritage*, Koestler attributed the origins of Ashkenazi Jewry to Khazar tribes. The book was eagerly quoted by anti-Semites the world over. (AZ)

Libya fails to eject Egypt from Non-Aligned movement

NEW DELHI. — Political disputes surfaced yesterday over Egypt's membership in the Non-Aligned movement and rival claims to represent Chad and Kampuchea, as foreign ministers prepared for next week's summit.

Arab foreign ministers turned down a call by Libya and Syria at a strategy session early yesterday for Egypt's expulsion from the 97-member movement because of its peace treaty with Israel.

Libya tried again to raise the issue of Egypt's membership, without success, in the conference of foreign ministers.

It was not known whether the summit will discuss the question. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak is expected for the meeting, but Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi's attendance is uncertain.

The Palestine Liberation

Organization accused the U.S. of backing an Israeli attempt to eliminate the Palestinians.

Farouk Kadoomi, director of the PLO's political department, said liberation movements were looking to the non-aligned conference for support to help combat apartheid, Zionism and all forms of imperialism.

"We have been exposed to a Zionist invasion (in Lebanon), fully-backed by the U.S., to wipe out our race and identity," he told the inaugural session of the two-day ministerial meeting.

He warned the ministers there was a serious threat to world peace unless practical support was offered to liberation movements.

The PLO is a full member of the movement and has been elected one of the 22 vice-chairmen of the ministerial conference.

Hints of a possible row over the

Chad representation emerged when a two-man delegation from the ousted government of Goukouni Oueddei arrived in New Delhi, apparently intending to claim the Chad seat at the conference.

But Indian authorities asked them to leave and they were expected to fly out later in the day, delegates said.

The Chad seat in the Non-Aligned movement is held by the government of Hissene Habre, which ousted Goukouni last June. Libya, which backs Goukouni, is the only country to raise the Chad issue at the conference.

The question of who should represent Kampuchea — the Vietnamese-backed government of Heng Samrin in Phnom Penh or a rival anti-communist coalition led by Prince Sihanouk — turned into a more contentious conference issue.

Malaysia, leading attempts by non-communist Southeast Asian countries to have Sihanouk invited to the summit, told the foreign ministers yesterday his absence would be a tragedy.

Foreign Minister Ghazali Shafie said a decision by the Havana summit to leave the Kampuchean seat vacant was irregular and arbitrary.

But Vietnam has vowed to oppose attempts to have Sihanouk's coalition, which the UN recognizes as Kampuchea's legitimate government, to take the country's seat in the non-aligned movement.

Meanwhile, Pakistan Foreign Minister Sahibzada Yaqub Khan yesterday warned the foreign ministers that any compromise on the principles of the non-aligned movement would expose its 101-member nations to the "designs of great power rivalries." (Reuter, AP)

Pope in Central America 'to share the people's pain'

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (Reuter). — Pope John Paul, saying he came to Central America to share the pain of its people, appealed Wednesday night for unity within the Catholic Church and again warned the clergy against becoming involved in politics.

After arriving in Costa Rica on Wednesday at the start of an eight-day tour of the turbulent region, the pope was driven in a special "popemobile" of bullet-proof glass through streets lined with cheering crowds and then met Central American bishops at San Jose's Catholic seminary.

There, in his airport arrival speech, he painted in graphic terms the problems facing Central America and the reasons for his tour — the most delicate and dangerous of his many foreign trips.

The clamour of people tired of war and yearning for peace had found an echo within himself, he said at the airport.

He also made an oblique criticism

of Communist governments, which, although carefully balanced, will not go unnoticed by the leftist leaders of Nicaragua who have been less than enthusiastic about his visit to their country next Friday.

In Guatemala City, a firing squad executed six alleged guerrillas shortly before sunrise yesterday, as insurgents were set to begin a ceasefire in honour of the pope's arrival on Sunday night.

A national police official confirmed the executions as he left the national cemetery at the head of a police squad. Asked if the men had been killed, he said, "yes, there was a shooting."

The men's lawyers had appealed against the death sentences to President Efraim Rios Montt, saying, "The Guatemalan people, spiritually uplifted with the coming of Pope John Paul, would see (your clemency) as a humanitarian gesture."

Guatemalan church leaders had also asked that the sentences be commuted to life imprisonment.

Fewer jobless in Britain during February

LONDON (AP). — Unemployment in Britain dropped slightly in February from the post-1930s' record reached in January, but there were still 3,199,412 people, or 13.7 per cent of the work force,

without jobs.

The government employment department announced yesterday that the February figure was down 25,804 from January's 3,225,216 or 13.8 per cent.

U.S. researchers discover infertility bug

BOSTON (AP). — A common, easily curable bacterial infection appears to be a major cause of infertility, and treating it may allow many childless couples to have families, research shows.

The bacteria is often passed through sexual contact, and its symptoms are so mild that most victims do not realize they have it.

Dr. Attila Toth said about one third of all childless couples seen at his infertility clinic at New York hospital have this infection. His study showed that when the infection is cured with antibiotics, 60 per cent of the couples are able to achieve pregnancy within three years.

The culprit is a germ called mycoplasma or ureaplasma urealyticum, which invades the genital tract in both men and women.

At least 15 per cent of married couples in the U.S. are infertile, and Toth says, "It's my belief that at least half

of all infertility cases are due to infection, and a large percentage of these are due to mycoplasma."

Toth's study was published in yesterday's issue of *The New England Journal of Medicine*. A second study on the bacteria, directed by Dr. Gail Cassell at the University of Alabama, was also published in the journal.

In the New York study, doctors used culture testing to reveal the infection in 161 men whose wives had not been able to become pregnant. Both partners were given the antibiotic doxycycline, and the drug wiped out the bacteria in 80 per cent of the cases.

In the next three years, 60 per cent of those couples who had been freed of the infection were able to get pregnant, compared with 5 per cent of those who still had the infection.

Toth said other drugs are also effective against the bacteria and doctors eventually are able to clear up the infection in all but 2 or 3 per cent of the cases.

8 OPEC leaders hold mini-summit

LONDON (AP). — A mini-summit of eight OPEC oil chiefs in London yesterday, which made some progress on prices and production quotas, was adjourned after five hours and will resume today, the oil ministers said.

"Don't you see that I'm happy," said Libyan Oil Minister Kamal Hassan Maghur as he left the talks, held at the Grosvenor Square home of United Arab Emirates Minister Mansour bin Zayed.

Otaiba acknowledged that both pricing and production were discussed.

Algerian Minister Belkacem Nabi also expressed optimism but Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani said simply that "we shall

speak tomorrow."

The Saudis and their allies are threatening to slash their prices from \$34 to \$27 a barrel, unless the 13 nations of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries agree to a benchmark price of \$30.

The London talks were aimed at reaching a preliminary agreement on prices and output before an emergency meeting of the full cartel.

Venezuelan Oil Minister Humberto Calderon, Bert, asked if such a meeting was in the cards, said: "There's no formal meeting yet."

The other countries represented were Nigeria, Indonesia and Kuwait.

Arab sentenced for killing envoy in Spain

MADRID (AP). — A 24-year-old Arab was sentenced to 30 years in prison by a Madrid court Wednesday after he was found guilty of killing a Kuwaiti diplomat here five months ago.

Ibrahim Hassan Murad al-Shami, born in Sidon, Lebanon, of Palestinian parentage was arrested shortly after the diplomat, Najeeb Sayed Hashem al-Rifai, was shot and killed outside the Kuwait embassy last September 16.

Al-Rifai, the embassy first secretary, was shot as he entered his car. His Spanish driver, Guillermo Marin, was seriously wounded in

the attack.

A-Shami was connected with the radical Palestinian group Abu Nidal, linked with an attack last August 9 on a Jewish restaurant in Paris in which six persons were killed.

Queen Elizabeth heckled in 'Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — Britain's Queen Elizabeth was feted at an exotic dinner and booed by demonstrators during her first hours here yesterday.

Savage Pacific storms dogged the monarch in Southern California, but weak sunshine broke through the clouds as she arrived in the north. Mayor Dianne Feinstein greeted the queen with a handshake as she stepped from a plane onto a red carpet.

The royal motorcade pulled up to the St. Francis Hotel to cheers from 5,000 people. One man toted a 60-pound portrait of the queen crafted of jelly beans. About a dozen protesters chanted "England out of Ireland now."

As the queen dined, 150 demonstrators congregated near the restaurant, unfurling a banner that said "Ireland united and free." One protester was arrested.

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According to police reports about the Tuesday afternoon slashing, barber Clinton Crowder, 40, was arrested after he returned to the barber shop and was pointed out to police by witnesses.

Willie May, the customer, 44, was

released from a hospital Wednesday following treatment of multiple knife wounds.

Witnesses told police the incident was triggered when May complained that his hair was too short and threatened to leave without paying the \$8 bill.

RELEASED. — Egyptian security authorities yesterday ordered the release of 67 Moslem extremists who had been held on suspicion of involvement in anti-state activity.

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Sports

Night of gloom for England

LONDON (Reuter). — World Cup star Zbigniew Boniek and the club he left behind in Poland have both telling twin blows to English ambitions to keep the European soccer Cup for the seventh year in a row. Boniek provided the coup de grace after the lightning opening thrash of arch-assassin Paolo Rossi as Italian champions Juventus extracted a 2-1 lead from their quarter-final first leg visit to holders Aston Villa on Wednesday night.

A few hours earlier unfancied Widzew Lodz, the club Boniek left for the lure of the lira, cut down mighty Liverpool, three times winners of the trophy in the past six years. Widzew were struck by a flu epidemic last week, but it was the English club who caught a cold in Poland. Liverpool, beaten 2-0 by second half goals from Ilokinski and substitute Wraga, have been behind before this season — overturning a 1-0 away deficit with a 5-0 home win over JK Helsinki in the second round. They will have to be in similarly commanding mood at their Anfield ground on March 16 to avoid a going out of the illustrious tournament.

West German champions Hamburg are scarcely less eager than Juventus to pull off the European Cup for the first time. They enhanced their hopes with a fine 3-0 away leg victory over Dynamo Kiev of the Soviet Union in Tbilisi, Georgia. The Fourth tie remains delicately poised with Sporting Lisbon of Portugal gaining a slender 1-0 advantage for the return in Spain against Real Sociedad.

CUPWINNERS CUP — Bayern Munich 4 Aberdeen 0; Inter Milan 1 Real Madrid 1; Vissma 0 Barcelona 0; Paris St. Germain 2 Watenscheidt (Belg.) 0; UEFA CUP — Valencia (Sp.) 1 Anderlecht (Belg.) 2; Bobacians Praha 1 Dundee Utd. 0; Kaiserslautern (W.G.) 3 Universitatea Craiova (Rum.) 2; Roma 1 Benfica (Sp.) 2. ENGLISH DIV. 1 — Manchester 4 Everton 0; Norwich 3 Watford 0; Stoke 1 Nott. Utd. 0; Swansea 1 Brighton 2.

Giant slalom on Hermon tomorrow

TEL AVIV. — Hopes are high that the national skiing championships will take place on Mt. Hermon tomorrow. The championships, which were cancelled last year for lack of snow, had to be postponed last weekend because there was too much snow on Mt. Hermon.

Heavy snowstorms hold off 30 skiers out of the 3,000 members of Israel's four skiing clubs.

Only the giant slalom will be staged this year, covering a descent of 350 metres, over some two kilometres, the skiers passing 50 gates, Yigal Amiri, chairman of the Israel Ski Federation said.

The organizers of the championships are delighted that the snow watch campaign launched by the Israel Ski Federation has agreed to loan them its TI-300 electronic timing device, which is especially constructed for international ski championships. The electronic eye, which immediately stops competitors and gives their times to a timing unit, was flown here by courtesy of American Airlines.

Handball gloom

After scoring their inaugural win over Bulgaria earlier in the week, Israel's National handball team sustained a galling defeat in the world championships at the hands of unfancied Holland on Wednesday. The Dutch, playing before their home crowd, won 16-9 after a 7-3 scoreline at the interval.

76ers speed

NEW YORK (AP). — The Philadelphia 76ers are winning on often said that they could lead their pace for the rest of the season and still finish with the best record in the history of the National Basketball Association. Their 106-94 victory this week over the New York Knicks gave the 76ers a 2-2 record, the best losses over for a team with that many victories.

In other games, Magic Johnson scored a season high 34 points to pace the Los Angeles Lakers to a 127-117 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks, the New York Yankees swept the Houston Astros 124-85, the Dallas Mavericks crushed the Seattle SuperSonics 106-105, the Phoenix Suns downed the San Antonio Spurs 118-106, the Portland Trail Blazers slipped the San Diego Clippers 104-102, and the Denver Nuggets trounced the Golden State Warriors 128-108.

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Loaded perceptions of a neighbour

ZVI LANIR considers the ramifications of Israel's 'Syria complex' in an interview with *Post* Middle East Affairs reporter David Bernstein.



Dr. Zvi Lanir of the Tel Aviv University Centre for Strategic Studies. (David Bernstein)

Successful attempts, the Golani Brigade — at the time Israel's only infantry brigade — finally captured the position, only to be thrown back, with heavy losses, in a counter-attack launched by Syrian irregulars. This was a tremendous blow to the prestige of the fledgling Israel Defence Forces, and as the subsequent inquiry found, it glaringly exposed the country's military weakness.

The Tel Mutilla fiasco marked a low point in the IDF's fortunes vis-à-vis Syria; subsequent encounters have clearly demonstrated Israel's superiority. Even so, Lanir notes, Syria's performance in the early phases of the Yom Kippur War, and even in the Bekaa during the war in Lebanon — where the IDF failed to achieve all its objectives against the Syrians on the ground despite its total mastery of the air — has served to perpetuate its image as a formidable adversary.

Syria's ineligibility as a partner for political dialogue was increased, Lanir notes, by the chronic instability that marked its political life in the first decades of its independence, when coup followed coup with alarming frequency. This contrasted sharply with the relative stability in Jordan and Egypt, which were seen as far more promising and durable parties to any future arrangement.

Finally, the dogmatically anti-Israel political radicalism espoused by the ruling Ba'ath Party in Damascus has only confirmed Israel's worst fears about Syria's intentions, leaving little inclination on the part of the Israeli leadership to modify its fundamental perception of that country.

THIS APPARENTLY unshakable view of Syria in Israeli national thinking, Lanir argues, is irrational.

The country's top leadership fails to recognize or account for a fundamental level developments in Israel-Syrian relations at the situational level that are plainly at variance with such a view.

In a paper published by the CSS in April 1981 (*Israel's Involvement in Lebanon: A Precedent for an "Open Game with Syria?"*), Lanir analyses the complex and highly flexible interrelationship that has evolved between Israel and Syria in Lebanon since 1976 — an interrelationship that contrasts starkly with their fundamental perception of each other as implacable foes.

Prior to 1976, Israel made it plain that it would view any Syrian move into Lebanon as a threat to itself and hence a *casus belli* — a position consistent with what Lanir calls the "closed pattern of relations" between the two countries.

What is more, Lanir argues, contrary to the conventional wisdom on the subject, the varying-sum game Israel and Syria were playing in Lebanon afforded that country a measure of stability it would not otherwise have enjoyed.

He rejects the common view that Lebanon is endemically unstable, and that Syria and Israel are likely to be dragged into a confrontation by the local protagonists. That, Lanir believes, is no more likely than the U.S. and the Soviet Union being dragged into a nuclear confrontation against their will through the action of their clients; and, he notes, Israel and Syria are very much "superpowers" in the

"red lines" emerged in Lebanon, based on mutual recognition by Syria and Israel that each had vital strategic interests in that country.

Using game-theory terminology, Lanir points out that the two countries deviated from their fundamental "fixed-sum game" to play an extremely complex and flexible "varying-sum game" in Lebanon.

A striking example of the effectiveness of this varying-sum approach occurred in June 1976, when Iraq transferred three divisions to the Syrian border. Two Syrian divisions were at that time deployed in Lebanon, leaving only two on the Golan Heights front. Syria could muster no military response to the Iraqi threat except by thinning out its forces on the Golan, thereby exposing itself to Israel's mercy. However, playing the "varying-sum game," Syria concluded that Israel shared a common interest in thwarting the Iraqi move, and would not take advantage of the situation if Syria were to transfer a division from the Golan to its border with Iraq — which it proceeded to do with impunity.

At the same time, Israel made it plain to Syria that it was to confine itself to a policing operation in the centre and the north of the country, and that any change in the nature of the policing force or any move into the south would not be tolerated.

Thus, a system of tacitly agreed

Lebanese context.

Any confrontation between Syria and Israel in Lebanon, Lanir contended in his 1981 paper, would be the result of a deliberate decision by one or the other to opt for such a course.

LAST JUNE, it was Israel that decided to confront Syria in Lebanon — the result of the government, at the apparent urging of Ariel Sharon, opting for an alternative to the open game strategy in Lebanon.

Simultaneously with the open or varying-sum game Israel was playing in South Lebanon, it was also secretly building up its ties with the Phalange in the north of the country.

Until Sharon became defence minister in 1981, the Phalange option was kept distinct from Israel's policy in South Lebanon, with the former being the province of the Mossad and the latter that of the IDF's Northern Command.

Sharon, however, appears to have been oblivious of the fact that the two options were incompatible, and by going for the Mossad's grand design of a Lebanon dominated by the pro-Israeli Phalange, he inevitably destroyed the varying-sum game in Lebanon by entering into a direct confrontation with Syria.

It is now clear that this grand design did not come off. Not only has Israel failed to establish a pro-Israeli government in Beirut, it has also failed to oust the Syrians from Lebanon either militarily or politically.

Lanir says the indications are that Israel is gradually reverting to its varying-sum game without fully understanding that this is, in fact, what it is doing. As the chances of a political settlement with the central government in Beirut fade, so Israel appears to be rebuilding its fall-back

position in South Lebanon, based on the 45-km. zone policed by the expanded forces of Major Sa'ad Haddad in cooperation with various other local elements — including the majority Shias and the Palestinians (who, Lanir points out, especially since the Sabra and Shatilla massacres, now view Israel as their only effective protector). And at the same time, it is gradually having to come to terms with a parallel Syrian presence in its laifundia in northern and central Lebanon.

Lanir is convinced that a reversion to the varying-sum game with Syria in Lebanon is the best possible solution since it takes full cognizance of the facts of political life in Lebanon, and of the respective interests of Israel and Syria.

What intrigued him in his 1981 paper, however, and continues to intrigue him today, is the possibility that this varying-sum strategy, which has proven so durable in Lebanon, can be extended to other areas of Israel-Syrian relations where coincidence of interests might render the fundamental fixed-sum game counter-productive.

Historically, Lanir notes, Israel has always straddled the common ground between Lebanon and Syria, and ancient Israel owed much of its political viability and resilience to its ability to maneuver effectively between the two regional arch-rivals.

Present-day Israel has forfeited this maneuverability, Lanir argues, by throwing in its lot with Egypt and dismissing any possibility of dialogue with Syria.

This could be to Israel's cost, Lanir concludes — particularly with respect to the Palestinian question, where Syria's position, which opposes the notion of a Palestinian state on the West Bank linked to Jordan, is somewhat paradoxically a lot closer at the moment to Israel's position than to Egypt's, which appears to view the emergence of such a state as the inevitable outcome of the autonomy plan negotiated at Camp David.

Super Hawke for Israel

Douglas Davis looks at the leader of the Australian Labour Party, Bob Hawke, the man most likely to succeed in tomorrow's elections.



Bob Hawke — an immediate affinity with Israel

Labour politics and love of Zion were triple lodestars.

His strong-minded mother was convinced from the time of his birth that he had been chosen by God for great things. She firmly believed that her clever son would one day be prime minister of Australia.

Hawke himself came quite naturally to see that as his destiny. Every step from early adolescence was taken with that one goal firmly in mind — his university studies and involvement in student politics, his Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford, and his headlong plunge into the Australian trade union movement and the Labour Party. All this was fuelled by a driving ambition, phenomenal energy and personal charm ("Hawke had charisma" recalled a university lecturer, "before anyone had heard of the word").

Hawke's affair with Israel is probably the one thing that he did not plan in advance. He visited the country for the first time in 1971, when, he admits, he had "a general knowledge of Israel, but no particular interest." The Christianity of his childhood, like the totalitarianism, had long since vanished. But from the moment he arrived in Israel that careless indifference evaporated.

On his first visit, writes d'Alpuget, the Histadrut had provided an official, Michael Siew, and a Tel Aviv taxi driver, Ari Tel-Shahar, as his escorts.

"Relationships, emotional bonds, are everything to Hawke," she writes. "The three men formed an immediate bond." According to Tel-Shahar, "When the three of us met, it was like a match to petrol."

Tel-Shahar and Siew were astonished at Hawke's prodigious drinking and his ability to keep going for days with virtually no sleep. "After 14 harrowing days and nights with him, I was so exhausted I could hardly remember the brand of my favourite beer," said Siew. "I volunteered to take him to the airport to make sure he would leave, and en route he had the nerve to assure me he thought I had done my homework on Israel."

"When he left, I was besieged by my curious colleagues. They were sceptical about him. After all — Shame! — he wasn't Jewish. There must be, they said, some ulterior motive to account for his friendliness — the man has yet to be tested. I told them, you can't even tell a friend when you see one."

"I'm sure," said Hawke, "that I would have developed a love and affection for Israel and its people, but the relationship that was so quickly forged between me, Michael and

Ari created a beautiful initial environment and has remained ever since."

"The first impression [of Israel] is one that has remained: here was this fantastic blend of informality — in dress, in arranging things; an irreverence, a cocking a snook at authority — combined with a very profound awareness of the ever-present threat."

"It seemed to me that in many people the threat would have produced paranoia, craziness — but here were these people delightfully relaxed in so many ways, and yet sharply tuned. You felt it was like a relaxed spring that could coil into action very quickly."

THE SIMILARITIES with his own style were striking.

Hawke's immediate affinity with Israel — and a recognition of his stature in the international labour

movement (he was then president of the Australian Council of Trade Unions) — were quickly spotted by his Israeli hosts.

On that first visit, Hawke was taken to meet the then-prime minister, Golda Meir, and the then-foreign minister, Abba Eban.

"A delicate process of testing Hawke for soundness was in train," writes d'Alpuget. "A Histadrut official said, 'We couldn't quite believe him — a man with such an intellect, such a forceful personality, a politician...'"

"At length the Israelis were convinced that they had met a rare character: A Righteous Gentle."

Hawke was asked to go to the Soviet Union to try to open the doors to Jewish emigration. It was an assignment he accepted enthusiastically.

He flew to Moscow where he met Alexander Shelepin, former head of the KGB and then head of the Soviet trade union movement. Hawke, who had encountered Shelepin at an International Labour Organization conference in Moscow the previous year, put the case for Soviet Jewry.

In 1971, some 13,000 Jews were allowed to leave the Soviet Union. The following year, 32,000 Jews were allowed to emigrate. And in 1973, 35,000 left.

"In Israel," writes d'Alpuget, "it is widely accepted that Hawke's submissions helped achieve this. There was immense gratitude to Hawke in Israel. On every trip he began to call in there."

And she quotes a Histadrut official: "In Israel, people really cared for Bob. We cared about his drinking problem and his family, and his political problems and he knew it. Here, everyone was his friend."

MEANWHILE, Australia's relations with Israel were beginning to sour. The Australian Jewish community had donated lavishly to Labour's 1972 election victory, much of the money being channelled through Hawke who, on returning from Israel in 1971, had become a "favourite Gentile." The Jews expected great things from the new Labour Government, but they were to be bitterly disappointed.

The turning point was the Yom Kippur War. Hawke was in Geneva at an ILO governing body meeting and flew directly to Tel Aviv when the war broke out. He was met by Ari Tel-Shahar, who had been summoned from military duty to escort him. The two set out immediately for the Golan Heights, where Michael Siew had disappeared.

They drove all day, deep into Syria, stopping at IDF camps to ask for news of Siew. It was bitterly cold and Hawke sat hunched up and swearing, increasingly distressed as they failed to find his friend (Siew was alive, he turned up a few days after Hawke left Israel).

On his return to Jerusalem, Hawke went straight to Golda Meir's office. "I think that was the most emotional meeting I've ever had in my life with anyone," he recalled. "There was an old woman who had just been through the most unbelievably traumatic experience... she was emotionally and spiritually shattered, because ultimately she had to make the decision (not to launch a pre-emptive strike) and she'd lost the lives of 2,500 men."

"There was the great human being in tears. She hadn't lost control of herself — in fact, the opposite, there was still a great strength in her — but tears were running down her face."

"It was in that circumstance that she showed me photographs of young Israelis who'd been captured on the Golan Heights by the Syrians, had their hands tied behind their backs and had their heads shot apart. And she was weeping and saying she couldn't understand how people could behave like that. I asked her if I could have copies of the picture. I made up my mind that I'd do what I could for Israel."

HAWKE OFFERED to return to Moscow to talk to Shelepin and the Israelis readily accepted. "There was no question of the Israelis wanting me to convey the message to Moscow. 'Next time it's nukes.' But by then we knew each other very well. I had a relationship [with Israelis in which the nuances and

the unspoken were as significant as the direct and the spoken.

"I think they knew I would be talking about nuclear war to Shelepin. Certainly, they wanted me to tell him just how much determination there was in Israel, the same message as before, but now even louder. And, of course, they wanted me again to put pressure on him for the release of Soviet Jews."

While Hawke was abroad, Australia's Labour prime minister Gough Whitlam announced an "even-handed policy in the Middle East." And a passionate Hawke, clutching the photographs of murdered Israelis returned home to bitterly criticize Whitlam and create a furore.

A few days later, in his office at the Australian Council of Trade Unions, Hawke answered a telephone call. A man with a foreign accent told him: "I am from Black September. We are going to kill your children."

The effect of the threat on Hawke was profound: In his office, a colleague observed, "he looked like death warmed up — he was pretty much a wreck for four months."

But the reaction of the Jewish community was equally strong. Said Saul Same, chairman of the United Israel Appeal: "There were those among us who would give their lives for Bob Hawke. If anybody had harmed a hair of his head, that person would have been killed."

DESPITE THE THREATS, Hawke refused to keep silent on Israel. Soon after, he addressed a conference of the Zionist Federation of Australia and New Zealand in Sydney. He was escorted by bodyguards and the hall was under heavy police surveillance. Hawke, wearing a kippa, scorned the new "even-handed" Australian Labour Party policy on the Middle East.

"Oil," he said, "is a murky substance and it has, I believe, blurred the vision of men of goodwill. We cannot be even-handed in judgement between states, any more than between individuals, when one side is bent upon the physical destruction of the other."

"In the 1930s appeasement under threat and blackmail permitted,

among other things, the Holocaust in which six million of our fellow human beings, who happened to be Jews, were exterminated. All mankind was diminished by those events."

"I do not speak here for my party or for the industrial movement which I lead. But as an individual Australian, I know that I am not an island, and I know that if we allow the bell to be tolled for Israel, it will have tolled for me, for us all."

There was a standing ovation. "The Yom Kippur War, which marked the beginning of Israel's conversion by the international community into a parish state," writes d'Alpuget, "was also the beginning of Hawke's pariahdom in the eyes of the left."

Nevertheless, Hawke remained — and continues to be — the most popular politician in Australia, according to the polls.

It was no coincidence, therefore, that within hours of Prime Minister Fraser calling a general election last month, the leader of the Labour Party resigned and Bob Hawke — who has been in parliament for just two years — was elected leader in his place.

The polls this week gave him a lead of between four and eleven percentage points over Fraser. For all his keen perception of Israel's need for security, Hawke as prime minister would be unlikely to offer an unserved endorsement of Israel's present policies in the territories.

Soon after his meeting with Begin in 1977, he visited Jordan at the invitation of Crown Prince Hassan and came away convinced of the Jordanians' desire to recognize Israel. He said soon after that Israel should withdraw to its pre-67 borders with the proviso, written into treaties with its neighbours, that if the returned territory be used as a launching pad for a future assault on Israel, "any gain in territory that Israel made as a result of going to war would be non-negotiable."

"Israel would keep the lot, and there would be no argy-bargy afterwards, with the Arabs saying, 'Aw, come on, give it back to us.'"

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Mistaken analysis

By YOSEF BEN-AHARON

MATTI STEINBERG'S analysis of the recent conference of the Palestine National Council (PNC) marks a new peak in academic irresponsibility. It is replete with assertions that have no basis in the conference resolutions. It is a striking and painful demonstration of the yawning gulf between Government and Academia that has been created by some of our political scientists.

According to Steinberg, as interviewed by *The Post's* David Richardson last week, there was a breakthrough in the Algiers Conference, because "this is the first time in the history of the PLO that all elements of the organization are willing to talk of some settlement with Israel." He goes on to state that the participants in the conference "have broken a taboo by agreeing on a model of a settlement which contains an element of mutuality, although no symmetry." After reading and re-reading the conference resolutions as produced by two sources, I can state outright that there is not a shred of evidence to sustain this pronouncement. Precisely the contrary is true.

The following points will bear this out:

□ The council's political resolution opens with a salute to "the steadfastness of its people inside the areas occupied in 1948." (Note the date: 1948!)

□ Since a number of Israelis established contact with PLO leaders and an impression of moderation was created, one would have expected the council to address some message to the so-called peace camp in Israel, for which Arafat has had some words of praise in the past. True to its basic policy, however, the council would not even mention the word "Israel" in its resolutions. There was a paragraph on "Contacts with Jewish Forces" but even then the council could at most bring itself to call for a "study" of possible movement on this subject, provided it met with the Palestinian national interest.

□ A close reading of the paragraph in the resolutions on the Fez summit plan will show that the council did not adopt it. The wording of the resolution carefully defines the Fez Plan as "the minimum for political moves by the Arab states" and not by the PLO. The reason is obvious:

The PLO has its own plan for a solution, and it does not and cannot contain even a remotely implicit reference to the existence of Israel, as in the Fez plan. Hence, the Arab states are permitted to advance their plan "as the minimum for political moves...which must complement military action." What the PLO council is saying, in quite clear language, is that Arab governments can go ahead with the softening-up and constriction of Israel, provided that this does not conflict with the PLO's phased plan for the "solution" of the Palestinian question.

ALL OF THE above quotations from the council decisions reflect the continuation of the PLO's total rejection of the existence of Israel. How anyone can reach the conclusion that the PLO has undergone any change toward moderation or willingness to deal with Israel is beyond imagination.

Steinberg's interpretation of the PNC's resolutions may have been caused by a failing that is common among most Western, and some Israeli, Arabists. They tend to apply their logic, their criteria and their value scale to a society that is radically different from their own. Against the background of the PLO disaster in Lebanon and the Reagan initiative, the Western mind expects the Palestinian terrorist leadership to grasp the life-saver that was thrown to it and embrace a political plan that would assure some kind of independent Palestinian control over Judea, Samaria and Gaza alongside Israel. If such a transformation does not materialize, they invent it out of sheer frustration.

The Western mind cannot digest the kind of logic that was articulated by one of the PLO leaders, who said that if you are willing to settle for half the cake, you have lost the right to the entire cake. Yet for Arafat and his colleagues, acceptance of a mini-state in Judea, Samaria and Gaza as the realization of their aspirations is a joke.

Algiers was not the first time that the PLO has grappled with proposals for a partial solution to their problem (or "liquidation plans," in PLO language). Back in 1974, at the 13th session of the PNC, the PLO almost split on the question of whether it should, for tactical purposes only get involved in political



The PLO after Algiers

action and elicit international support for a Palestinian entity that was less than the liberation of the whole of Palestine and the liquidation of Israel.

After much deliberation, the council approved political action in principle, but stipulated that it complemented military (i.e. terrorist) action, and that it must not jeopardize the attainment of the final goal of "total liberation of Palestine." Hence the PLO would not set up a full-fledged state or "homeland" in Judea, Samaria and Gaza, and rejected even implied recognition of Israel as a price for such an achievement. It would only agree to set up a "fighting national authority" on any part of Palestine that is "liberated" and continue, from there, its stage-by-stage "struggle for liberation." This was the political programme approved by the PNC already back in 1974. (By the way, that programme too was hailed by some as a breakthrough to moderation. Algiers was simply a repeat performance.)

PROBABLY nothing demonstrates PLO rigidity better than its treatment of Egypt.

The terrorist leaders had called for Sadat's blood because he dared to deal with Israel and to sign the Camp David Agreements. After Sadat's assassination, Egyptian leaders went out of their way to appease and accommodate the PLO. They played a specially active role during the Lebanese war by lobbying strenuously on their behalf with Western governments, trying to secure for them some political achievement by way of compensation for their disaster in Lebanon.

Egyptian government personalities and PLO leaders exchanged warm messages, and at one point a visit to Cairo by Arafat was expected to take place.

Then came the council meeting in Algiers and a stinging double-slap to the Egyptian government. It refused to deal with the Egyptian authorities so long as they were "contaminated" with Camp David, and it called for a strengthening of relations with the Egyptian opposition. The council resolved to support "the struggle of the Egyptian people and the nationalist forces there to end the Camp David policy, so that Egypt may return to its position of struggle in the heart of our Arab nation." It also called on the PLO Executive Committee "to develop the PLO's relations with the Egyptian nationalist, democratic and popular forces which struggle against the normalization and relations with the Zionist enemy in all their forms."

To draw an analogy between the Zionist internal debate on the UN Partition Plan of 1947 and the PLO debate on the ways to realize its objectives is a far-fetched proposition. Israel, peace and coexistence with the Jewish State are unmentionables in the conference resolutions.

The comparison is so grotesque that I think it should be left to the reader to try and fathom its rationale. Before doing so, one should read the Palestine National Council resolutions, just once, before consigning them where they belong — to the trash heap of history.

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The meaning of moderation

By MOSHE SHARON

AMONG the many terms of Western origin used in the context of the Arab-Israeli conflict a very significant one is "moderation." The use of this term to describe PLO terrorist leaders, notably Yasser Arafat, is not only wrong but morally unjustifiable and politically dangerous, since in many ways it legitimizes terrorism.

In the last two weeks the term has been used in connection with Arafat and his group in the PLO so frequently, and by such a large chorus in the printed and electronic media, that by now there is hardly a person in the West who is not under the impression that Arafat has undergone a great metamorphosis. Moreover, since politicians, including some in Israel, are developing plans for settling the Middle East conflict based on the "moderation" of Arafat and *Al-Fatah*, one can hardly help feeling that the use of words has a momentum of its own which has very little to do with reality.

Since many Israelis, honestly yearning for a little peace and tranquillity, have been tempted to be drawn into this international orgy of rehabilitation, it is advisable to examine the reality.

Arafat and his supporters in *Al-Fatah* gained the reputation of "moderates" some time ago. To a large extent it was Bruno Kreisky, the Austrian chancellor, who was responsible for dressing Arafat in the garb of a responsible statesman. The image caught the public eye. No matter what the *Fatah* murderers were doing in Israel, Lebanon or elsewhere, no matter how much innocent blood they were spilling, Arafat was regarded as moderate, sober and wise.

Moreover, his moderation was contrasted with the "intransigent fanaticism" of the Israeli leaders. It is amazing, but without spending much money, and without abandoning one of its objectives in regard to Israel or the Jewish national movement, the PLO's image was transformed from that of a terrorist organization sworn to destroy Israel to a group of reasonable politicians discussing the relative values of various peace plans.

WHEN ONE reads the reports of the late Palestine National Council congress in Algiers, what emerges is this: Facing the screaming opposition of extremists (most of them Marxists), valiant Yasser was interested only in examining whether or not to accept the Reagan plan,

the Fahd plan or the Fez plan. He chose the last.

Arafat's decision, however, was disappointing for most of those who created his moderate image and expected him to behave accordingly.

At this point the true nature of the *Fatah* and the PLO in general was exposed once more. The Fez plan is a recipe for the destruction of Israel in a way that is palatable for the Europeans. The Americans have not fallen for it. It contains two major points. First, it speaks about the establishment of a Palestinian state, with Jerusalem as its capital, prior to any alliance with Jordan. Secondly, it does not recognize Israel, does not even mention the Jewish state, let alone give it any legitimacy. On the contrary, the Fez decisions are nothing but the usual repetition of the almost two-generation-old Arab programme for ridding the "Arab homeland" of the "Zionist aggressor." Only this time, the Fez sages catered to their willing Western exegetes and interpreters. Seizing on such expressions as "all countries in the region" these interpreters — journalists and politicians alike — hailed the Fez decisions as recognizing Israel "by implication."

THERE IS hardly any need to repeat the very well-known fact that in the Arab political dictionary, *Israel* is neither a state nor a country. Palestinian political thinking was very carefully summarized in the so-called Palestinian National Charter (or Covenant) back in 1964 and has never been changed or renounced since. In its first two clauses the territory which the Palestinians see as their future state is extremely well defined. First, Palestine is an "indivisible" part of the Arab world, which means that it can never be a non-Arab state, which is precisely what Israel is. Secondly, "Palestine, with the borders it had during the British Mandate, is an indivisible territorial unit." This means that neither Israel nor Jordan is safe, because the British Mandate over Palestine included the territory on both sides of the River Jordan.

It is, thus, understandable that Ronald Reagan should have stated on September 3, 1980, in the course of his presidential campaign: "Israel and Jordan are the two Palestinian states envisioned and authorized by the United Nations. Jordan is now recognized as sovereign in some 80 per cent of the old territory of Palestine."

There is no question that the PLO's political programme includes the overthrow of the Jordanian regime and the Jordanian political system. Yet they understand, especially after their defeat in Lebanon, that their plans concerning Jordan have got to be postponed. The immediate need is to cash in on "moderation," without going into principles.

YASSER ARAFAT understands the power of words, and the wide possibilities embodied in ambiguity. The Arabs have always been masters of the word, in literature as well as in everyday life. Language acrobatics is a very well-known characteristic of Arab culture, whether institutionalized or popular.

PLO leaders and spokesmen have been exercising their talents in this art ever since Westerners gave them the title of moderates. Thus, on an ABC programme some six months ago, Bassam Abu Sharif said that the establishment of a Palestinian state in any part of Palestine would be "satisfactory." "This is the PLO programme," he declared.

The interviewer did not ask the spokesman which programme he was referring to but those who could see through the smiles and the "moderation" understood that he meant the 10-point programme adopted by the PLO in 1974 as an immediate plan of action. Clauses 4 and 5 of the programme showed that there was a clear decision that any "liberated" part of Palestine would be used as a base for the destruction of Israel and the overthrow of the Jordanian regime.

Neither Yasser Arafat nor any other official spokesman of his organization has ever renounced any of these virtually sacred PLO programmes. The "liberation" of Palestine has only one meaning, whichever way one looks at it: the elimination of Israel.

There is an almost complete Arab consensus on this subject. There are, however, differences of opinion with regard to tactics. Arafat has been trying to convince his colleagues that the weapon of words has been too long neglected, and that it should be used not instead of the gun and the bomb but alongside them.

This is the true message of Algiers, and this is the exact meaning of Arafat's "moderation."

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Assessing the Palestinian debate

By DAVID MANDEL

prominence in the Palestinian movement.

But the latest PNC, much more widely covered in the Israeli press than any previous one, did send at least one clear message to supporters of both Menachem Begin and of Shimon Peres: the goal of destroying the PLO has failed.

In the heady days of August 1982, as the organization's leaders and fighters were about to be "expelled" (Ariel Sharon insisted on the term) from Beirut, Chief-of-Staff Rafael Eitan warned that "the terrorists" must not be enabled to reconstitute elsewhere as a political organization. This is exactly what they have done now, and with greater international legitimacy than ever before.

Following last summer's evacuation from Beirut, many Israeli "Arabists," even those who oppose Begin's occupation policies and support a political settlement involving some Palestinians, predicted that the PLO would revert to isolated, dramatic acts of terror.

ISRAELI propaganda notwithstanding, there is by now no doubt that the PLO is willing to "settle for less." Opening the Algiers meeting, PNC chairman Khalid Fahum declared that the Palestinians "do not aim to destroy any state."

In its final resolutions, the council endorsed the Arab League Fez plan, and in the process, specifically turned down a proposal to reject its seventh article, which mentions the right of all states in the region to live in peace. The 1964 covenant was not formally revoked, but it can cer-

tainly be considered to have been invalidated by inference.

Furthermore, the PNC explicitly accepted the "Brezhnev plan" for peace. In light of the plan's relative unimportance, with the USSR shoved to the sidelines in Middle East diplomacy, its mention takes on special significance, because in contrast to the Saudi-inspired Fez declaration, the late Soviet leader specifically mentioned the state of Israel as a party to peace-making.

Both the Saudi and the Brezhnev proposals include independent PLO participation in negotiations and Palestinian sovereignty — key elements missing in the Reagan plan. For this reason, there was no chance that the council would endorse the U.S. proposal; debate focused on the choices between absolute rejection and one step less — withholding final judgement to indicate a desire for keeping avenues of communication open, while enumerating the plan's unacceptable elements. The latter view, Yasser Arafat's, won out.

In analysing Palestinian politics, it is important to understand that the debate over the Reagan plan, aired openly at the PNC, cannot be characterized simply as one between moderates or "doves," on the one hand, and hard-liners or "rejectionists" on the other.

The only old-school rejectionist view expressed at the Algiers meeting — refusal of political settlement with Israel on principle — was that of Ahmed Jibril, and he stood out in splendid isolation.

George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine left the PLO executive in 1974 when the PNC first endorsed acceptance of a state in part of Palestine as a tactical move. But in Algiers, even Habash seconded Arafat's diplomatic strategy (and approved the Brezhnev plan). Habash's main criticism, more of a warning, was to maintain that diplomacy must be backed up by military strength.

NOR IS IT accurate to characterize Palestinian leftists as advocating a hard-line view. Since 1948, Palestinian and other Arab Communists have advocated coexistence with Israel. Also, the Palestinian party closest to Moscow, the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, was the first PLO group to mention the possibility of peace between two separate states. This was in 1973, and last September, DFLP leader Nayif Hawatma spoke openly in favour of mutual recognition between Israel and the Palestinians.

True, Hawatma joined Habash in denouncing the Reagan plan, for reasons already mentioned, and in opposing too chummy a relationship with Jordan or any move that might enable King Hussein to negotiate for the Palestinians.

But these positions may be best understood by adding another dimension to the generally accepted "moderate vs. hard-line" delineation. There has been a dialectical process working among the Palestinians since the U.S. gained the upper hand in the Middle East after the 1973 war, and especially since Camp David. Certain, but not all, mainstream nationalist circles began to consider the possibility of

compromise with the Jewish state, and were drawn towards seeking support of the U.S. Washington, they explained, "holds most of the aces," including, of course, the Israeli card.

On the other hand, those Palestinians who instinctively or ideologically mistrust U.S. motives were perhaps hasty in rejecting any initiative in which Washington was involved. The extreme reaction against Sadat and Camp David, for instance, made it easier for Israel and the U.S. to label the PLO and its allies as "rejectionist." Yet most of the members of the "Steadfastness Front," formed in Baghdad after the Egyptian-Israeli-U.S. agreement was signed, did not oppose a comprehensive political settlement with Israel.

The debate at the 16th PNC on the Reagan plan and on cooperation with King Hussein was really over whether Washington and/or Amman can be allies for the PLO in the next phase of the struggle, irrespective of any specific plan or proposed negotiating format. Here one can speak of a right-centre and a left. The former more or less accepts U.S. hegemony in the Middle East, which the latter clearly opposes. Such an issue has divided other national liberation movements, and many of them have also managed to keep it secondary until common national goals are achieved.

Nor did the issue of confederation between a Palestinian state and Jordan prove divisive for the PNC.

MANY SPEAKERS reminded the delegates of the obvious Jordan today houses the largest Palestinian population outside of Israel and the occupied territories, and it would be

a new state's closest neighbour.

A "special relationship" with Jordan should exist, they said, and political cooperation, if possible, could only help the Palestinian struggle. Nor did anyone object to paying lip service to the worn ideal of Arab unity. But it was made crystal clear that this is very different from any return to the pre-1967 situation or other subjection to Jordanian hegemony. That would contradict the very reason the PLO was formed in 1964, as would giving Hussein the right to negotiate in the name of the Palestinians.

In stressing the principle of Palestinian independence, the PNC replied to pro-Jordanian elements in the West Bank who warn that if something is not done soon, there will be nothing left to negotiate. By refusing to panic, the PLO indicated its belief that massive Israeli settlement does not threaten Palestinian sovereignty. This remains to be seen, but the line adopted seems logical enough when viewed from another angle: The Israeli government is no more willing to discuss control of the West Bank and Gaza with Hussein than it is with Arafat.

As for the PLO's own willingness to negotiate, Arafat apparently had no trouble winning overwhelming support for his readiness "to meet with Menachem Begin, or even the devil himself," if it would serve the Palestinian cause. The statement came in the context of criticism from some delegates of the chairman's recent meeting with Israeli Zionist doves. According to the pro-PLO left-leaning Jerusalem paper *Al-Fajr*, the meeting was mainly criticized for the drama made of it, although the Israeli par-

ticipants were only marginal politically.

PREDICTIONS of a challenge to Arafat's leadership by pro-Syrian factions, even within *Fatah*, utterly failed to materialize. The supposed-challenger, Salah Khalaf (Abu Iyad), traditionally considered to be on the left of *Fatah*, surprised the prophets of dissension by publicly criticizing Damascus. The expectations of a split apparently reflected, in part, wishful thinking by those who perceive the PLO as divided into warring factions. Ironically, the PLO's exit from Beirut, where it had been under Syria's thumb since 1976, enabled it to forge a more independent line: "Yes to Arab solidarity, no to Arab domination and interference," was reportedly one of the most common slogans in Algiers.

NO OBJECTIVE observer can deny that the PLO has come a long way since it first set out to regain its homeland in the early 1960s. "Armed struggle," criminally indiscriminate as it sometimes has been, undoubtedly succeeded in putting the Palestinians on the map of international politics.

By 1970, a political programme had emerged, and while the "secular democratic state" idea was as unrealistic as it was unacceptable to all but a handful of Israeli Jews, it forced the Palestinians for the first time to confront the fact that Palestine would have to be shared, in one way or another, with "the enemy."

Logically, it was not far from that realization to today's conclusion: that the only share to be obtained is through partition into two states, along the pre-1967 war borders.

It is an indication of how far Israel has gone — in the other direction — that such an idea is now dismissed as unthinkable extreme by the Begin government.

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The special style of Ed Koch

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH/Jerusalem Post Reporter



On tour with Teddy Kollek, whom Koch calls 'the mayor's mayor.'

ED KOCH's formula for a good dinner party is eight people at the table and 11 bottles of wine. His formula for running a city like New York, with 150 ethnic communities, is to have as many as 30 ethnic parades a year and to march at the head of every one of them. Someone important must have dined at Ed Koch at the right times when he was very young to leave the 58-year-old mayor of New York so sure about life and about his own capacity to cope with its complexities.

On a visit to Israel this week as a guest of the Foreign Ministry, Koch mused early one morning about a kid from the South Bronx who grew up to live in Gracie Mansion, official residence of New York mayors. "I bounce out of bed every morning looking forward to the day. I love every minute of it."

His alarm is set for 6 a.m. but he is usually up before it goes off, and at 6:30 is in a gymnasium for a 45-minute workout.

"I open up City Hall at 7:30 and, in contrast to when I first came to office five years ago when no one was there at 7:30, today it's quite full."

Besides bringing the near bankrupt city he took over into an era of balanced budgets, he has managed to stay remarkably close to his unpretentious roots — a street smart New Yorker who remembers where he came from, who can understand the gut feelings of his fellow citizens and, as he puts it, "doesn't take crap."

Summing up his approach to administration, he says: "I don't get ulcers. I give ulcers. I tell people exactly where I stand and I expect them to speak frankly to me."

New Yorkers have grown accustomed to seeing Koch standing in line for a seat in a cinema or restaurant rather than sweeping past them in an entourage. "I walk the streets and people come up to talk to me like a brother or an uncle

or a friend. I like that. "I'm one of the few New Yorkers born in New York," he says. "Most adopted it and were adopted by it. There's a special style about it. You walk faster and you talk faster and you think faster and it's nothing to do with your being born there."

KOCH RECOGNIZES in Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek a kindred spirit and speaks of him as "the mayor of mayors." Says Koch: "What I like about Teddy is that people talk to him like they talk to me — they call him by his first name and they talk to him on an equal

level. There's no feeling that you're talking to someone above you, and neither he nor I suffers fools gladly." Koch is the mayor of more Jews than Kollek — or any other mayor in the world, for that matter: about 1.5 million of New York's total population of some 7.5 million are Jewish.

At the peak of their presence in New York several decades ago, Jews constituted 29 per cent of the city's population. This fell to 15 per cent about a decade ago, but with the return of the middle-class to New York, the figure is now about

19 per cent. "I'm very proud to be Jewish, but I'm not a Jewish mayor. There may be 30 or more parades of ethnic groups a year and I march at the head of all those parades — and on that particular day I'm Irish or Italian or black or Hispanic without ever losing my Jewishness, and pride."

The word polarization, used frequently in Israel to describe the tensions between Ashkenazi and Oriental Jews, is too strong, says Koch, to describe the ethnic rivalries that exist in New York.

"I believe our ethnic groups get along better than in any other city in the world. I believe in an open city which allows people to live where they can afford to live without trying to impose a mixture. You cannot compel love, but you can compel respect."

SO POPULAR is Koch in his hometown that his decision last year to run for governor was greeted with dismay by many New Yorkers, some of whom even voted against him in order to keep him downstate. His defeat, he admits, left him with a feeling of rejection that lasted about three weeks.

"At the beginning, when people told me they didn't vote for me for governor because they wanted me to stay as mayor I was so angry I really wanted to hit them."

He is no longer smarting at the loss, he says, but he will never again seek any elected office other than mayor of New York. "I felt I could do more for the people of New York City and State by being governor. I thought that the action was moving in that direction from Washington as a result of the new federalism. But the people decided to have me."

"I won't ever try to become governor again and I'm not interested in the Senate. I've been a congressman already and I don't like living in Washington. I want to be the best mayor the city has ever had. I have a God-given opportunity and I happen to believe in

God. I believe he has given me an opportunity and I want to use it to the maximum to leave the city better than it was when I came in. And I think I will, by the way."

THIS WEEK, Koch brought his New York style to the Middle East, pumping hands in downtown Sidon as flak-jacketed Israeli soldiers kept wary guard, verbally fencing with hostile Lebanese journalists in Nabatiya, buttonholing politicians in Tyre and walking the streets of Kiryat Shmona with local residents.

Acknowledging that international affairs are outside his normal area of responsibility, he noted however that "mayors of New York are often asked their opinion about things. Now that I've been to the site, I can offer an informed opinion."

In his encounter with the Lebanese journalists who asked how he could countenance an Israeli invasion that took many civilian lives, Koch recalled his wartime experience as an infantry sergeant in Europe. It was the Nazis, he said, who were responsible for the destruction of German cities, not the allied airmen who bombed them.

Koch had received an official invitation from the Lebanese government to visit Beirut a few days before he departed for the Middle East. He rejected a State Department suggestion that he enter Lebanon via Syria or Cyprus, but accepted a compromise solution that he fly in the helicopter normally used by special U.S. envoy Philip Habib from Tel Aviv to the aircraft carrier Nimitz off the Lebanese coast and from that piece of floating American territory, fly into Beirut. However, he was informed by the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv Tuesday night that the Lebanese had dropped their invitation because of his visit to South Lebanon that day under Israeli auspices. He had planned to visit Beirut today and stay overnight. Instead, he will be flying home.

Opening salvos in Israel aid battle

By WOLF BLITZER/Washington

as signalling any weakening in U.S. support.

Assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South Asian affairs, Nicholas Velotes, replied that the recommended level for Israel could be seen as "a strong vote of confidence in our relationship" with Israel — even though it contained \$200 million less in grants than the Congress appropriated in the 1983 fiscal year legislation. The overall level for Israel this year, he said, "is a strong vote of confidence in our relationship."

BUT OTHER congressmen flatly told Velotes that the recommendation for Israel was not enough. The subcommittee chairman, Democrat Lee Hamilton of Indiana, made it clear that an effort was going to be made on Capitol Hill once again this year to convert more of the loans to grants. Democrats Tom Lantos of California, Larry Smith of Florida and Stephen Solarz of New York joined in the pro-Israel chorus. They — like Hamilton, Torricelli and Levine — asked Velotes extremely pointed questions designed to underscore America's own strategic interest in a strong Israel.

Smith, for example, managed to win from Velotes an admission that all of the economic and military assistance to Israel actually remains in the U.S. to pay for military hardware and other goods and services. This, Smith said, creates more jobs for Americans.

But even in the face of that badgering, Velotes held firmly to the administration's position that the requested aid "should be more than sufficient to meet the objectives of our programme." He also cited "our own budgetary constraints." He opposed additional aid to Israel.

In his opening statement, Velotes said: "Support for Israel's security and economic well-being is a basic, firm principle of American foreign policy. Our support for Israel grows out of a longstanding commitment to a free nation which has been a haven for immigrants from all over the world and which shares many of our own social and democratic traditions."

"Our security assistance programmes are designed to assist Israel in continuing to maintain its qualitative and technological superiority over any potential combination of regional forces. Our economic assistance helps Israel to finance balance of payments

deficits. Taken in combination, our programmes are the material manifestation of our traditional commitment to Israel."

THE EXCHANGE between Velotes and the congressmen was seen in Washington as the opening shot in the battle for increased aid to Israel. It will be months before the final outcome is known, given the lengthy and complicated legislative process involved in approving foreign aid. The lobbying will be intense.

Supporting the increases for Israel will be the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the officially registered pro-Israel lobbying organization on Capitol Hill.

AIPAC's executive director, Tom Dine, has just returned to Washington from a visit to Jerusalem, where he and other AIPAC officers met with Prime Minister Menachem Begin, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, and Defense Minister Ariel Sharon and other senior Israeli policymakers.

Dine reported on his findings in a little noticed but fascinating speech which he delivered earlier last month before an AIPAC "workshop on politics" in Atlanta. Read in full, it was one of the most damning indictments of the administration's policy towards Israel and the Middle East by an American Jewish leader.

It clearly must have eroded any lingering hopes in the White House of a publicized and controversial praise last year for the president's September 1 Middle East peace initiative may have signalled a fundamental split between the pro-Israel lobby in Washington and the Israel Government in Jerusalem. (Dine later published a somewhat toned down version of the speech in *The Washington Post*.)

"TODAY," Dine said in Atlanta, "U.S.-Israel relations are seriously

strained. The U.S. and Israel are now on a collision course, and I believe the most important consideration for us today is to ask why this is happening and what can be done to stop the deterioration in the relationship."

Dine pinned the blame on the Reagan Administration, especially Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger and his "readiness, indeed eagerness" to assume "the worst about Israel."

He accused the administration of removing all pro-Israel voices from the inner circles of decision-making. "Since the forced resignation of Alexander Haig," Dine said, "no individual participates at the top levels of the president's entourage with real expertise dealing with Israel or sensitivity to its concerns. By contrast, there are several well-known figures with a deep attachment to the Arab point of view. In general, the Middle East policymakers can be described as a curious mixture of Arabists and amateurs. The State and Defense Department careerists are Arabists; those with access to the Oval Office are foreign policy amateurs."

As a result, Dine said, the administration has "pursued a policy of systematically excluding Israel from U.S. defence planning for the region while fawningly courting certain Arab states whose conduct contradicts and conflicts with U.S. foreign policy. The administration is obsessed with demonstrating to the Arabs that we will pass all of their litmus tests. Much of the day-to-day conduct of foreign policy is taken up with finding new ways to tell them that we love them."

DESPITE DENIALS that the administration intends to impose sanctions against Israel, Dine continued, "it has in fact invoked more sanctions over a longer period than any preceding administration, and is now quietly threatening, through press leaks and other devices, to do

more of the same."

He cited the delay in selling Israel 75 additional F-16 fighters, the suspension of the strategic cooperation agreement, the delay in approving technology transfers for the Lavie fighter, and "the practice of sending and then leaking to the press menacing notes to the prime minister of Israel hinting that the entire relationship may be in question."

"All of this," Dine said, "is having a disastrous effect on the Israeli side." He listed some impressions he gained from his talks in Israel. If his intention in outlining these views was to scare senior White House officials who carefully reviewed the full text of his speech, he succeeded.

That's because Dine noted that "an increasing number of Israelis believe that, since the U.S. cannot be trusted, they must end their dependence on U.S. support. If so, some of the loss could be made up by accepting a somewhat lower standard of living. But Israel will not be able to meet the Arab military buildup if it loses U.S. aid. So it may under such circumstances be forced to consider sweeping measures to eliminate the threat while the IDF is still comparatively strong."

The upshot of Dine's ominous message was clear: a possible pre-emptive strike by Israel against its Arab adversaries designed to cripple their military capabilities for a long time to come. Don't get Jerusalem too nervous, Dine implied.

"Israelis perceive that the U.S. is dealing with them as if they were an adversary rather than an ally," Dine said, adding that "an important minority of Israelis are coming to believe that the U.S. is not a reliable ally, that sooner or later it will sell out Israel to appease the Arabs, and that the current administration, in Washington is determined to emphasize differences with Israel, instead of areas of common interest. This is still a minority view, but a frightening one — and growing." He concluded: "These strong

impressions from Washington and Jerusalem have led me to conclude that the very fibres of the relationship between our two great democracies are being strained as never before, and, unless constructive steps are taken, that strain may not be easily mended even by successor administrations in both countries."

PERHAPS Dine's warning was the reason why Velotes, during his testimony, insisted that the administration had not attached any political conditions in proposing another large-scale economic and military aid package for Israel. Velotes said the administration simply wanted Israel to feel "super secure."

Republican Ed Zschau, who now represents former Congressman Pete McCloskey's California district, suggested that the U.S. might want to reduce the aid levels by the amounts spent by Israel to establish settlements on the West Bank. "I hear you," Velotes replied.

In response to another question, Velotes said: "There's no question that the Israeli settlements are perceived as the concrete manifestation of the Israel Govern-

ment's lack of good faith." But respecting Secretary of State George Shultz's guidelines, Velotes steadfastly refused to accept the notion of attaching political conditions for the assistance.

Dine's very gloomy assessment of the American-Israeli relationship was prepared before Moshe Arens replaced Ariel Sharon as defence minister. The AIPAC official may not have cast any of the blame on the Israel Government for the current state of affairs, but he, like so many other pro-Israel voices in Washington, including Democratic Senator Henry Jackson of Washington State, is known to have viewed Sharon's bulldozer manner and gruff talk as important contributing factors.

Jackson went so far as to say on national television the other day that Sharon had become a "liability" to Israel. Largely because Arens is a known quantity now in Washington and has returned to Jerusalem with a greater sensitivity to Israel's problems in the United States, Dine, Jackson and other friends of Israel are hoping that the U.S.-Israeli relationship may have turned the corner, and that better times are just ahead.

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Child battering in Israel is not confined to people of one particular socio-economic level, or to any one sex or ethnic group. Although poverty, emotional disturbances, retardation and alcoholism are factors in many cases, they are by no means the common denominator. Many abused children are found in villas, luxury apartments and suburban homes.

It is hard — especially in this child-oriented society which typifies Jewish communities elsewhere — to fathom the reasons behind this phenomenon. But the situation of child-abuse exists, and the person who beats his or her child may not be that brutish man who shoved and shouted in the bus queue, but that well-dressed housewife sitting next to you on the bus.

Dr. Ellie Henkind Katz, a psychologist who lectures at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, has spent much time and effort trying to understand this particular form of human violence. Katz, herself a mother of three young children, says that while on one level it is hard to understand child abuse, on another it is "too painfully easy to see what happens."

"There is no relationship," says Katz, "that is so intensely and so enduringly intimate as is the relationship between parent and child. It is the only unstigmatized situation of total dependency. In every other dependency situation, there is the problem of the inadequacy of the dependent person. Childhood is the only time in which one not only may but must be dependent."

Continuing with her analysis of the parent-child relationship, Katz points out that, "We live in a no-touch society. Touching — between adults — is not encouraged, or sometimes not even condoned, except between lovers. And even between lovers touching is, in some sense, limited and ritualized."

"Only between parent and child is this total freedom with the body of another human being permitted. We wash our children, dress them, fondle them, lift them about and put them where they need to be, and when necessary, for their own protection, we even restrain them. In other words, we have absolute control over their physical entities."

This situation, according to Katz, means power. From then on, it's all a matter of what power means to you and how you respond to it. And, at least in some cases, power corrupts; absolute power can represent the absolute in corruption.

"The child knows its situation," says Katz. "The only recourse for the child is to protest. It is this protest that produces the ultimate confrontation."

"The confrontation may be expressed by deliberately doing what has been forbidden...or by refusing to do what is required. It ranges from the sulky 'I won't' to the ignoring of the parent...or to a direct, deliberate laugh in the face."

In every case, at this point, it is certain that the dialogue between child and parent is in jeopardy. What happens next depends on the adult.

Says Katz, "It's all a matter of awareness — how you see yourself as a person, as a parent, as a human being."

Here, when parent-child tension is at its highest, things may explode: "You are suddenly confronted with a threat to your authority, your power. You forget that for the child, this is the last possible plea. You accept the reality of the rebellion which was never real...and suddenly there is fear before you."

Katz maintains that helpless fear acts like a drug on some people. "It's atavistic," she says. "The fear is like the scent of blood. The adult wants the child to respond 'properly'. The child is adamant. There is force, and the adult is helpless because now the whole thing depends on how much humiliation and pain the child can endure — and he or she is sometimes tougher than the adult."

When this situation has occurred, Katz is certain that the parent is far more frightened than the child. The parent knows that everything has gone out of control, but, she points out, the child knows it, too. Even if too young to verbalize, the child knows that it has forced the all-omnipotent parent to abrogate a sacred contract.

"The child-parent relationship is one of contention," says Katz. "We are in the only situation we will ever know where love is unconditional, and since this is so rare, we test it all the time. We contend with our parents at every level...even long after they are dead."

"In such a situation, the only thing to do is to yell for help." But how?

We posed four hypothetical situations to Dr. Katz — situations which statistically represent the most common frames of reference for child abuse — and asked her what one should do. She responded by saying that she didn't believe that the four situations represent confrontations between a sadist and a victim: "In most cases, the battering parents are victims of circumstances that are out of their immediate control."

Regarding the hypothetical but all-too-common situation of the mother who finds that she is using force too much and too often, Katz says, "There is too much happening here. She is trapped in a role... She has been forced into it and is playing it as if it were all there is. She has a whole weight of resentments — biological, social, personal. She is usually terrified of what she has done or feels she might do."

The first thing Katz recommends is for the mother to ask for help. But who should be approached?

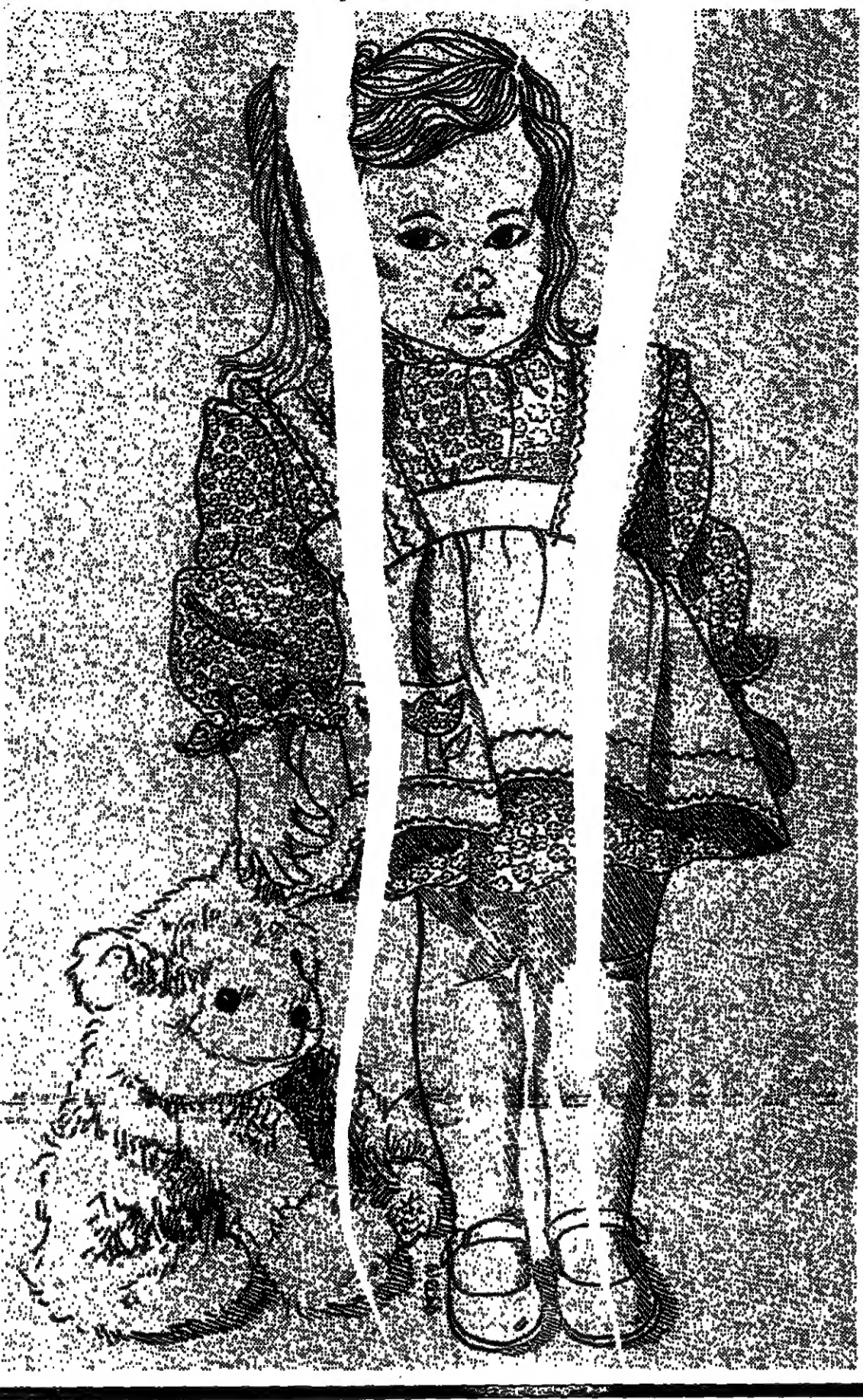
"Someone wise enough to help you," she says. "There are innumerable possibilities — your family, a friend, the agencies that deal with such problems, a rabbi."

Dead beat

When parent-child tension is at its height, it can explode into violence, and become child-battering.

The Post's D'vora Ben Shaul talks to psychologist Ellie Henkind Katz, whose specialty is trying to understand this form of human brutality.

(Thea Weiss)



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The 520-bed Kaplan hospital houses most of its patients in a tall, modern building, where lack of space sometimes necessitates the addition of extra beds.

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At the emergency ward, the doctors and nurses are not willing to talk but allow us to look around. The work looks as though it is being carried out in a calm atmosphere and on the afternoon we visited, the ward did not seem overcrowded.

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Yitzhak Oked visited Tel Aviv's Kaplan and Assaf Harofe hospitals, just before the start of the doctors' strike.

Hospitals in crisis

Dan Einoy of Mazkeret Batya, is 32-years-old and is undergoing a third operation. He says he does not know whether or not it was the doctor's fault that the first two operations were unsuccessful. He also had to wait over half-a-year for this operation at Kaplan, a Kupat Holim hospital.

We caught Dr. Oded Cohen, head of one of the departments at the hospital, on the run and managed to talk to him. He explains

that the main "bottle-neck" in the hospital is the operating theatres.

"We have modern operating theatres with very expensive equipment. But it is not being utilized. We only operate several hours per day."

"We operate (except for emergencies when there are operations 24 hours per day) only till 2.00 p.m. When we get near 1.00 and we have an operation that will take too long, we postpone it. So unless there are small operations from 1.00 till 2.00 p.m., we do not operate after 1.00."

Says Cohen, "If we could get more manpower for the operating theatres and more pay for the staff, we could operate after 2.00 p.m. every day and care for more persons, cutting down the time it takes to wait for an operation."

The father of a young girl who was brought to the emergency ward in the middle of the night with sharp stomach pains praises Kaplan's medical staff and its treatment.

"I have been in America, and I can tell you that the treatment here is not less good than in America but, I think, even better."

Menshem Gueta, hospitalized four times at Kaplan, says, "The nurses here are real angels, the doctors are wonderful, and the food is all right."

One of the nurses (who refuses to reveal her name) states that she works like a horse at Kaplan. Under her own choice, she works three times a week from 2.30 p.m. till 11.00 p.m.

"This shift is very tough. We only have two nurses in the ward, plus an extra nurse for the intensive-care unit in the ward where there are

always three patients."

"Sometimes," she adds, "all three nurses have to be in the intensive-care room, and then if any other of the about 30 patients in the ward need us, we cannot help them."

Brigitte Rosensweig, another nurse in the same department, who is also working part-time, three days a week in the same shift, confirms what her colleague stated. She explains that she has been working in the same ward for five years and can't remember when it was not overcrowded.

In the small rooms where only three beds are supposed to be, she explains, there are always about six beds. The large room which is supposed to have six beds always has eight to 14.

"This is the room to which people are brought to rest after a heart attack. I can tell you that they do not get a lot of rest here. Many times people are taken from here back into the intensive-care room — sometimes because they suffer a new attack."

THERE is some building going on at the Assaf Harofe Hospital.

At a recent cornerstone-laying ceremony, Dr. Mordechai Varon, the hospital's medical manager, said he hopes that with the new wards being built and completed in about four years' time, an end will come to the use of the hospital's old wooden huts, where the majority of its patients are hospitalized. These huts were built by the British during the Mandate period.

Because of these crumbling wooden huts, Assaf Harofe has, from time to time, appeared in the

headlines. Once this happened when one of the walls at the maternity ward simply collapsed. Luckily no one was injured. Another time, a rat in one of the huts bit a patient.

The staff at this hospital does not like to be reminded of these incidents because they claim it gives them a bad name. The spokesman of the Ministry of Health does not allow them to talk to journalists. The Post learned that despite hardships and difficult working conditions, the government-associated hospital has received high marks from its patients regarding treatment.

Asher Havkin has just undergone an operation on his knee and is recuperating in the hospital's orthopedics building. He lives in Ramat Hasharon which is not in the "jurisdiction" of Assaf Harofe, but he preferred to be operated on there.

MOSHE Karasandil lies in a bed in a corridor of one of the crowded old wooden huts of the internal medicine ward. The 48-year-old technician felt ill at work, went to the hospital, and was diagnosed as suffering a heart attack.

His problems started when he had

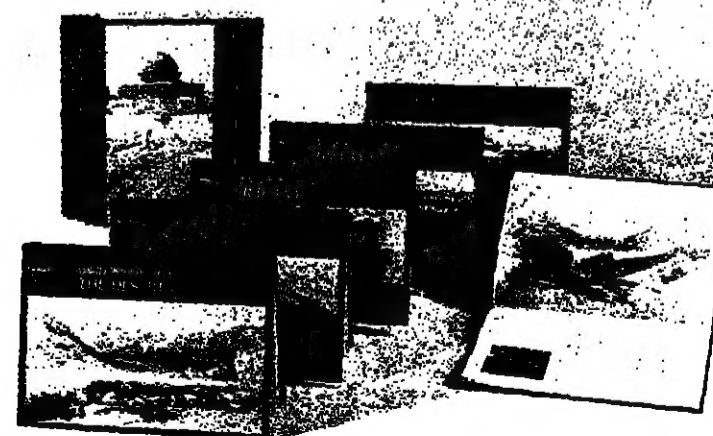
to leave the intensive-care unit.

Because the hospital is made up of old huts, when he has to be moved from one place to another, long distances are involved and there is inadequate protection outside from rain and wind.

Says Karasandil, "What I hate most about being here in the corridor is that I do not have any privacy. When I have to be checked by the doctor, I feel as though the whole world is looking at me."

(Today is edited by Joanna Yehiel.)

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A symposium on "Women and the Media" which, according to its organizers, is aimed at raising public consciousness of the ways women are portrayed in the Israeli media, and of the roles women play when working for newspapers, radio and television, will be held in Jerusalem next week.

The event, sponsored by The Jerusalem Post and the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel, is to take place at the Jerusalem Plaza on International Women's Day, Tuesday, March 8 at 4.30 p.m.

The symposium will be divided into two sessions. The first, "Women Working in the Media," will be moderated by writer and editor Yael Lotan. Based on their

Women's image in the media

experiences, Post political correspondent Sara Hong, plus television director Vardina Erez, documentary filmmaker Shuli Eshel, Israel Radio's Hedva Isachar, and journalist Nurit Kahane, will be discussing work conditions for women in media organizations.

In their short speeches — which are to be followed by an open discussion with members of the audience — the five participants will also talk about how the professional opportunities and the roles assigned to women working in the media differ from those of their male colleagues.

Moderated by MK Shulamit Aloni, the second session will deal with "The Image of Women in the Media." It will open with a slide show by Dr. Judith Reisman Bat-Ada, director of the Institute for the Study of Media and the Family, which visually — and vividly — depicts the changing image of women since the establishment of the State of Israel until today.

Following this, a panel consisting of Ari Rath, editor and managing director of The Jerusalem Post, as well as communications expert Dr. Dina Goren from Tel Aviv University, criminologist Dr. Gerald Kromer from Bar-Ilan and Hebrew University, and Dr. Nitza Shapiro-Libai, advisor to the prime minister on the status of women, will discuss the ways in which the media not only reflect, but also influence society's expectations of women.

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Silk-glove occupations

By ALEXANDER ZVIELI

"THE BRITISH wear silken gloves, but their fists are made of iron," Wang Li complains in fluent English. We sit in a comfortable restaurant on Victoria Peak, 500m. above Hongkong's Central District. We came here by funicular railway, and the view is amazing. All of northern Hongkong and the Kowloon Peninsula stretch before our eyes.

Wang Li is merciless. "We all hate them and wait patiently for their departure," he declares, eating another mouthful of a beautifully served Chinese delicacy. "And don't let anyone tell you otherwise," he insists. "Occupation is an occupation."

Although Li speaks in earnest, I have my doubts. I have just read an article about Hongkong by Anthony Paul, a noted American journalist. His story says a glowing tribute to this wealthy, prosperous and industrious area. Paul claims that at least 1,000 families living in Hongkong today would have little trouble in getting together some \$200m. each. People live well in Hongkong.

"Yes," agrees Li. "But Paul conveniently forgets to mention that they all sit on their valises and have secured foreign passports for themselves. Many have left already, others live here in name only. It is only we, the working class, who will stay here forever."

Li is a professional and prosperous tourist guide, well-liked by his clients. He is the son of a Hongkong taxi driver, and has three brothers and three sisters. Li is fashionably dressed. He has just ordered an expensive brandy and enjoys all the comforts and pleasures of this glistening, cosmopolitan city. He seems to be sitting on the top of the world, and yet complains bitterly.

"THERE ARE some 2,000 construction projects going on in Hongkong today," I argue. "Hongkong is prosperous." It is the world's 17th largest trader, the world's top exporter of textiles and electronic equipment, toys and other products. There is no unemployment. It has the second largest merchant fleet in the world. There is a minimal income tax, no

more than 15 per cent. Why are you so angry?"

"We are Chinese," he explains patiently. "Do you really think you can buy people with comforts and money?" Hongkong, he notes, is still ruled by a London-appointed governor, who selects his own Legislative Council.

"The British," he continues, "put up with the endless stream of refugees until the flood rose to untenable proportions. Then they had to stop it; they built a wall separating us from mainland China. They set up patrols in the streets to hunt for the refugees and to send them back over the border. The British will do anything China wants in order to stay here. But no occupation can last forever. They will have to leave."

HONGKONG Island was acquired by Britain from China under the Convention of Chuanbi in 1841. The Chinese Emperor gave his assent under the shadow of British guns. The tip of Kowloon Peninsula and nearby Stonecutter's Island were ceded to Britain under the First Convention of Beijing in 1860.

The New Territories, some 450 sq.km. were leased to Britain for 99 years under the Second Convention of Beijing in 1898.

Today these three areas are known collectively as Hongkong. The British have made what Lord Palmerston described as a barren island into a beautiful and thriving metropolis.

One wonder's whether all Chinese think along Li's lines?

"Most," says Li. "Just walk around. Most of Hongkong's Chinese speak English well, but will refuse to speak with you in the language of the occupier. They have their own language."

"Li is right," a British companion assures me. "Many Chinese look ahead to a Chinese future."

"It is different in shops. They speak English there," someone interrupts. "Hongkong is known for its liberal laws, economic assistance, excellent education facilities, high standard of living despite the permanent housing shortage. There are many TV and radio stations, freedom of expression, cultural tolerance, and yet Chinese think ahead to what goes

on beyond the Chinese border. They adjust themselves to new realities and situations."

I ASK LI whether he has ever been to China.

His eyes light up. "Certainly," he says with pride. "Not once, but several times. As a matter of fact I love to go there. I was invited to Canton and to Peking," he smiles. "We are allowed to go there whenever we want."

"China is our motherland. Would anyone forsake his mother?"

"And the refugees?"

"They are poor, mistreated souls. They come here, and then they learn better."

"But China is a poor, underdeveloped country." (I attack him directly.) "Will you, honestly, be prepared to lower your standard of living, forgo your French brandy and American cigarettes, your car and other facilities? Do you realize what will happen to Hongkong if the Communists ever come here?"

"They will come," Li says. He believes they may take over Hongkong even before 1997, when Britain's lease on the New Territories expires. They will come, Li says, "when it suits them. And then we will join them. There will be no need to lower our standard of living. On the contrary, we will uplift theirs. They need us just as we need them. We are one people."

In his kind way Li regards our conversation as closed. "There are some values," he mutters to himself, "which are just not for sale. This was, is and will be China. Just wait and see."

Hongkong cannot survive without the New Territories. Optimists still hope that the enormous advantages which China could derive from an economic and financial partnership with the colony will persuade Communist rulers to preserve the status quo after the lease expires.

But the overwhelming majority of Hongkong's Chinese know better. They realize that Peking will not be able to withstand the pressure for reunification. There will be, they claim, one indivisible, powerful and threatening China.

The writer is a member of The Jerusalem Post staff

Illusions of the Middle East

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Per Kjellström

IF THE LIGHTS of Akaba glitter alluringly to residents and tourists in Eilat, they are no more intriguing than the lights of Eilat to the people of Akaba. In fact, both towns are more impressive from afar than they are close up.

That, at least, is the view of Per Kjellström, the new head of Sheraton operations in Israel and former manager of the Holiday Inn Hotel in Akaba. Eilat's unapproachable sister city in Jordan, just across the bay.

The epitome of an international executive, Kjellström was born in Sweden, brought up in Switzerland and worked his way across much of the globe.

The son of a Swedish diplomat, he got his first taste of the hotel business when he went back to Sweden for holidays and got a summer job. From there, he went on to the famed Swiss Hotel School in Lucerne.

A trip to Canada in the hopes of finding a job brought him to Regina, Saskatchewan. "Red China would have been better," he remarks dryly. Slowly moving eastward to bigger and better hotels, he found himself in England, where as food and beverage manager, he closed one restaurant where the headwaiter had been skimming off all the profits, and had a case of mass food poisoning in another.

It was then that he was offered the double dream of every

hotelman: to manage a hotel and to open a new hotel. It was 1975 and the Holiday Inn, with 120 rooms, was to be Akaba's first large luxury hotel. He recruited his staff from around the Middle East, but, he says, the hotel was never properly run until the start of the civil war in Lebanon, when, during one day of interviewing in Beirut, he virtually replaced the entire staff.

He soon learned about bakhsheesh and, for that matter, about Beduin hospitality. Business boomed, with Jordanians using the hotel as a regular weekend retreat. But there

was little in the way of foreign tourism.

From Akaba, Kjellström says, Eilat looks like a paradise. Indeed, the Israeli Red Sea resort is much larger than its Jordanian counterpart, with many more tourist attractions. Nevertheless, Kjellström expected Eilat to be bigger than it actually is.

As for Akaba, it is, he says, a little village, with much of the lighting one sees from afar actually belonging to the port. The atmosphere in the Jordanian resort reflects the conservatism of Arab society and there is little of the freedom that is found in Eilat.

The off-handed threats by Scandinavian charter operators to pull out of Eilat and take their business to Akaba are not realistic, he says. "You could not imagine a girl in a topless bathing suit running around in Akaba."

Kjellström's present position in Tel Aviv follows a hiatus in Europe, where his last post was that of manager of the prestigious Sheraton Stockholm. At the Sheraton Tel Aviv, the conservatively clad Kjellström presents a stark contrast to the aggressive informality of former manager Harold Richman, who has been appointed the chain's vice-president in charge of marketing.

But Kjellström has nothing but praise for Richman's policy of staffing the hotel largely with students. "Service is not always how you pour the wine," he says.

poems, and then I understood she really was interested."

SHE SENT the princess a big envelope with poems and tape of her reading them. A few weeks later the envelope was returned; the princess in Monaco had refused to accept it. A dismayed Emma wrote a letter to the princess, and quickly received an apology from the princess. It is palace policy not to accept unsolicited packages, which arrive daily, and hers had been refused by an oversight; the princess had forgotten to put her name on the list of acceptable senders. Princess Grace also invited the poet to visit her at the palace the next time she was in the neighbourhood.

When Emma was in France in May 1981, she informed the princess who sent her, express, an official invitation and received her at the palace. The two women talked for 30 minutes about their lives and hobbies. As Emma left, the princess presented her with her *My Book of Flowers* a magnificently illustrated album about her own hobby.

Emma Kimor has never before reported about her meetings with the princess. Now she is off once more, accompanying her husband on a six-month visiting professorship to the Oceanography Institute of Kiel, Germany, to be followed by a month in the U.S.

The poet and the princess

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Oceanographic and Limnology Research Institute in Haifa. During these temporary stays abroad, Emma takes the opportunity to give talks and poetry readings.

In October, 1980, she accompanied her husband to the annual conference of ICSEM, the International Council for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean, held in Sardinia, under the auspices of the council president, Prince Rainier of Monaco. Emma was dazzled by the radiant Princess Grace with whom she chatted. The princess expressed interest in her poetry and asked Emma to send her some poems.

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CHANNEL CROSSINGS

TELEREVIEW / Philip Gillon

WE HAVE HAD bad news and good news for King Hussein this week. The bad news is that Jordan's long-established position as Israel's second channel is at last going to be challenged: Israel is to establish its own second channel.

The good news is that the government plan is to make the new channel a government mouthpiece, to which no sensible Israeli will ever turn for entertainment, so we will still watch Jordan.

Whose mouthpiece, exactly, has not yet been settled. The dog Argus has almost as many mouths, so we do not know yet who will be bombarding us with propaganda.

The loudest claim so far has been made by Minister of Energy Yitzhak Moda'i, with demurring support from Education Minister Ze'evulun Hammer and Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori.

What television has got to do with the Ministry of Energy is beyond my comprehension. The medium promotes lethargy, lassitude, inactivity, inertia, impassivity — anything but energy. Admittedly, it does use up some electric power, but most viewers keep the lights far lower for TV than they would be if they were to engage in the lost art of conversation. So it is impossible to see any reason why this ministry should come into the act.

In fact, Mr. Moda'i's claim to run the second channel seems to be based on the concept of little boys who scream "Fender's keeper!" or "It's mine! I saw it first!" He prepared a plan, and thinks this should give him an option, like a right on the Stock Exchange. On this basis, I should be made the TV czar: for years I have been pointing out the necessity of challenging Jordan's monopoly on Israeli eyes and ears.

Not that I like the idea of the Ministry of Education running the show; the very word "education" is incompatible with the kind of Second Channel that the viewers want. Mr. Hammer has an earnest and sincere manner, irrespective of what subject he is discussing, but I still do not fancy a channel devoted to educating us, National Religious Party style.

The minister of communications is a more pleasing thought: after all, Mr. Zipori did communicate to the Kahan Commission his account of MORE THAN half a century ago to a young anthropologist, Margaret Mead, wrote a portrait of easy-going life on a tropical island, a paradise of teenage love and serene people without emotional hang-ups.

Coming Of Age in Samoa, Mead's study of the Samoans from August 1925 to May 1926, was her first major work. She went on to publish nearly two dozen other books and became a dominant figure in cultural anthropology, the study of human societies.

Now a new book says that Mead's Samoan research drew the wrong conclusions. Derek Freeman, professor emeritus of anthropology at the Australian National University at Canberra, writes that Mead's portrayal of Samoan culture contains "major errors, and her account of the sexual behaviour of Samoans is a mind-boggling contradiction."

Freeman's book, Margaret Mead and Samoa: The Making and Unmaking of an Anthropological Myth, will be published by Harvard University Press in April. Debate has already started in academic circles.

"I am almost totally convinced that Freeman is correct," said Dr. Robert C. Hunt, chairman of the anthropology department at Brandeis University.

"That does not mean that Mead's point about social organization and its effect was wrong," he said. "She will not be the first one in scientific history to be caught out that way."

Mead's daughter, Mary Catherine Bateson, an anthropologist specializing in the Middle East and Dean of Faculty at Amherst College, said that she welcomed Freeman's study.

his warning to Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir that a massacre was taking place in Beirut. For this sin, he will doubtless suffer for years in the party, and it is hard to believe that they will reward him by giving him a TV channel with which to play.

But the essence of the argument is not which unsuitable minister should be appointed to make a mess of the new channel — that the government will make a mess of everything — but whether the Second Channel should be controlled in any way by it. Even if we had what I might consider to be a good government, I would vehemently oppose its running television, so as to batter us with propaganda.

That the provision of pro-government and pro-ruling party propaganda is the objective of the government in proposing to set up a new channel there can be no doubt. They are not concerned with competing with Jordan or with filling the gaps in our television programmes because we have only one channel; they want to give us the kind of junk we got from all the parties before the last election. Their dream is that they will succeed in breaking the power of the mysterious — and, in fact, non-existent — Left Wing Mafia that they suspect are in supreme power in Television House.

Everybody in the government agrees that the propaganda channel should be financed by means of advertisements. On the face of it, few Israelis will object very strenuously to this, provided the advertisement is controlled as they are in England, and provided also that advertisers have no say whatsoever about programmes, as they do in America. Advertisements provide viewers with an opportunity to make coffee, or do other essential things, without missing any vital television moments. Besides, we can always get remote control gimmicks to switch stations.

It is worth mentioning that paying for TV by means of advertisements instead of out of the Treasury's empty coffers is really sleight-of-hand. The companies doing the advertising will pass on their expenses to the Treasury as tax deduc-

tions: the advertisements will implore us to raise our standards of living by eating, drinking, smoking, travelling, covering ourselves with perfume, buying, buying, buying. At a time when there is no money to pay doctors, university lecturers or anyone but West Bank settlers, TV advertising seems to be somewhat out of place.

WHATEVER the cost, I still want a second channel, but I want it run by a really independent body, and I want it to fill the gaps in our present programmes. Last week I mentioned that I was searching for lost causes for which to battle: I have been inundated with suggestions. News in English comes high on the list: so do more indigenous shows in Hebrew. A sport lover wants to watch live a match like Aston Villa versus Juventus with a commentary in Hebrew instead of the Arabic Jordan provided on Wednesday night. A senior citizen claims that nothing is done for what he describes as "The Forgotten Army," the elderly, who want entertaining films early in the evening instead of late at night. An English teacher writes that she did research on 100 writers and found that only 15 per cent of them watch TV after 10 p.m. — all want plays and films in the first half of the evening, discussions at the end, as happens in England.

There is so much that could be done by an independent second channel, instead of it serving as a ventriloquist's doll for a deadly dull cabinet minister. But let us be strong and of good courage: there will still be Jordan. Maybe the threat of competition will make the king instal more powerful transmitters for Channel Six.

WE WERE GIVEN some wonderful entertainment this week, the Hoffmann concert from the Jerusalem Theatre. The musical qualities of the concert will no doubt be reviewed by somebody more competent than I am, but I feel that I must comment on how marvellously it came over the air waves as live television.

Michael Halasz, the conductor, is not only a consummate musician,

he is also a superb actor. He never missed a trick: his deadpan style when all hell was breaking loose around him was worthy of Charlie Chaplin or Buster Keaton. The strange thing was that the burlesque in no way diminished our interest in the music and our enjoyment of it; generally, I like a show to be one thing or the other, either a clowning act or a musical presentation. I like to know exactly where I stand or fall. Here I was not only in fits of laughter, I was also enthralled.

Grand Hotel was slapstick performed with zeal and enthusiasm in pantomime by two brilliant clowns, supported by the most beautiful girls that I have ever seen concentrated on a small screen.

AND WE MUST also be grateful for an American jest, *What's Up Doc?*, starring Barbra Streisand and Ryan O'Neal, Rodney to old-timers who remember *Peyton Place*. It was as delectable a piece of zany nonsense as ever I have seen. When I described it to an Orthodox friend, she complained, "Why are all the good shows on Friday nights?" Here is another grievance the second channel may be able to remedy.

I saw two good serious shows. One was the Panorama programme on Soweto on *Second Look*, which presented at white heat — perhaps I should say at black heat — the cause of the blacks in South Africa. No effort was made to be objective or balanced: the Africans' grievances were shown with fury, which, of course, made for excellent television. Somebody, who worries only about Jews, commented to me that the quicker the Jews get out of there, the better. I have been thinking this for several decades.

I must admit that I sneaked a look at *War and Peace* on Jordan, when I should have been looking at Yossi Banai — somehow, by that time in the Purim festivities, although I find him very good in his way, I had had enough of him, I had been hearing him on radio and had seen him on some other Purim show.

As I watched the filmed version of Tolstoy's magnificent denunciation of the follies of war, I could not help thinking of other wars. We saw Napoleon realizing, after his victory of Borodino and his occupation of Moscow, that he had better get the hell out of there fast. Here was a lesson other war-makers could learn.

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Faulting an expert

By PETER BREWER / Boston

that Freeman is correct," said Dr. Robert C. Hunt, chairman of the anthropology department at Brandeis University.

"I expect that future researchers on Samoa will have both books in their libraries," she said. "I think that *Coming of Age in Samoa* will continue to be distributed for many years to come."

Freeman said that he spent six years living among the Samoans in 1940-43 and 1965-68, as well as other years of research in the field. He found that "Samoan society and culture are by no means simple and

uncomplex — they are marked by particularities, intricacies and subtleties quite as daunting as those which face students of Europe and Asia."

Samoans are aggressive and have a history of wars and ferocities. Their village brawls can continue for several days.

Adolescence is not, as Mead claimed, a relaxed, untroubled time. Samoan police records show a variety of offences against authority. Freeman said Mead presented a conflicting picture, reporting on the one hand that female virginity was so highly valued that Samoan weddings include a virginity-testing ceremony, and, on the other hand, that "adolescence among females is regarded as a period 'appropriate for love-making,' with promiscuity before marriage being both permitted and expected."

Freeman said that, in fact, Samoans "value virginity highly and so disapprove of pre-marital

promiscuity as to exercise a strict surveillance over the comings and goings of adolescent girls."

The Australian researcher said that Samoans claim that Mead made an honest error. They said that the young girls she interviewed were embarrassed about sexual matters, and told her lies to tease her, "regaling their inquisitor with counterfeit tales of casual love under the palm trees."

Freeman also believes that his research may be more valid because he learned the Samoan language and lived with a Samoan family, while Mead's knowledge of Samoan was rudimentary and she lived with an American health officer.

In June 1972, Mead wrote a preface to a new edition of the book saying she had decided not to revise it.

"It must remain, as all anthropological works must remain, exactly as it was written," she said, "true to what I saw in Samoa and what I was able to convey of what I saw, true to the state of our knowledge of human behaviour as it was in the mid-1920s — true to our hopes and fears for the future of the world."

(The Associated Press)

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Portion of the Week: Ki Tissa, Exodus 30:11-34 end. The verse discussed is 30:13.

PART FROM the suggestion made by Ibn Ezra to the effect that a *cera* mentioned in Exodus 30:13 the seed of the carob, this tree, though undoubtedly indigenous to Israel, is not mentioned even once in the Bible. (I utterly reject the suggestion that the words in Isaiah 1:9, "Ye shall be devoured by a sword" depend upon a corrupt text, and that the correct reading is "Ye shall eat carobs.")

On no subject have I received

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PAY NO ATTENTION to rumours and reports that the Middle East visit of Jimmy Carter who is accompanied by his wife Rosalynn and a sizeable entourage — is designed to serve as a prelude to the ex-president succeeding Philip Habib as presidential envoy to the region. I have it from the best-informed sources that it simply isn't true. They point out that President Ronald Reagan would not do anything to rehabilitate his predecessor, certainly not so close to the start of the 1984 presidential campaign.

Those who know claim that Carter's current swing is a promotional effort for his new Crisis Resolution Centre in Atlanta. They see little chance that either Prime Minister Menachem Begin or President Hosni Mubarak will accept a mooted Carter invitation to a "Camp David reunion" in September.

DISINFORMATION DEPT. In the corridors of power, there's been a lot of speculation as to who planted the (untrue) report of Defence Minister Moshe Arens's not-so-complimentary remarks about his U.S. counterpart, Secretary of Defence Caspar Weinberger, at the former's first cabinet meeting. You'll recall that Arens promptly called Weinberger to say it wasn't so. Those looking for the source of the story point out that supporters of several ministers — particularly Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Minister-without-Portfolio Ariel Sharon — have good reason to put a spoke in Arens's wheel.

DELAYED ARRIVAL. Cabinet ministers this week noticed that Sharon arrived late at Arens's first cabinet meeting, apparently to miss out on the warm welcome the new minister got from his colleagues. I've also been told that Sharon did not greet his successor either during the meeting or after its close. That was probably in character, as was Arens's decision to invite Sharon to his office for a talk on defence matters.

THE IDEA of a defence establishment farewell party for Sharon was dropped after it was greeted with little enthusiasm by some army brass. But Arik was compensated when his wife, Lily, threw a big bash at the family farm in honour of hubby's 55th birthday.

Sharon's strategic sense was highlighted by his decision not to cut the cake, which was in the form of a map of Greater Eretz Yisrael. Arik, I've been told, said he could not do anything that would divide the land of Israel, even symbolically.

HERUT string-pullers are currently engaged in an agonizing reappraisal of the power structure. Arens's star is really in the ascendant, especially as Yitzhak Shamir's is seen to be in a nose-dive since the Kahan Commission highlighted his subordinate role in the war cabinet's most crucial deliberations. Herutniks are speaking less and less in terms of Shamir

The return of Jimmy

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(Above) Menachem Begin, Jimmy Carter, Hosni Mubarak. (Below) Avraham Sharir, Imri Ron, Dan Pattir



as even a stop-gap premier if and when Begin steps down. Not that Arens is a novice to party intrigues. Those I spoke to are waiting to see whether Deputy Premier David Levy or Finance Minister Yoram Aridor, singly or in tandem, make the move to create a new constellation at the top.

IN THE LIKUD, and particularly in the Liberal Party, they are battering down the hatches as Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i goes on one of his periodic rampages. Liberal politicians I spoke to find a clear link between Moda'i's grumbling about "the sad state of the government's performance" and his failure to net the defence portfolio, his growing isolation in his party and his frustrated efforts to install his supporter, deputy agriculture minister Pessah Grupper, as the sixth Liberal minister.

At this week's cabinet meeting, when Moda'i proposed a second TV channel with commercials, and Education Minister Ze'ev Hammer demanded that his ministry be in charge, Moda'i's claim to speak on behalf of all five Liberal ministers was scotched by party rival, Industry and Trade Minister Gideon Pattir.

PURIM TV PROGRAMME organizers had a tough time keeping bipartisan harmony in the impromptu musical trio of MKs — they rounded up Imri Ron (Mapam)

with his mandolin, Akiva Nof (Likud) with his guitar and Edna Solodar (Labour) at the piano. It was originally supposed to have been either a quartet or quintet, but Labour's Shevah Weiss backed out with his mouth-organ after colleague Danny Rosolio didn't have time to perform with his flute.

WHEN Bank Hapoalim chairman Ephraim Reiner was asked what was meant by "market forces" influencing currency rates in relation to the shekel, he quipped: "There are three Bank of Israel officials who trade in currencies. The currency rates always stay the same during the month of August. That's when they take their vacation."

EACH yeshiva student gets 10 times as much government money as residents of the poorer urban quarters. The chairman of the Knesset State Control Committee, Avraham Katz-Oz, made this observation on hearing from Treasury officials that the government allocation for 82 neighbourhoods comprising 600,000 residents was IS2.6 billion, while the funds going to Agudat Yisrael religious institutions serving 50,000 yeshiva bochers was IS2.8 billion.

THE NEW deputy director of the Israel Broadcasting Authority is Ron Nahman. Picked from 30 candidates, he happens to be an active member of the Herut Central Committee. That should make La'am

member of the IBA board, Aharon Pappo, happy. Last week he called his even-tempered Labour colleague Dr. Israel Peleg "a communist," when they disagreed on IBA policy.

VISITING. Dan Pattir, who served as media counsellor to Premiers Menachem Begin and Yitzhak Rabin between 1974 and 1981, is on a short home leave, interviewing people as part of his research into the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, its background and its aftermath. He is conducting the project for two of the most prestigious Washington institutes — the American Enterprise Institute and Georgetown University's Centre for Strategic and International Studies.

Pattir, who was at Camp David, has already taped 92 interviews with statesmen, diplomats and correspondents involved in the process. He speaks of conflicting versions from some of the protagonists. From here, he will be flying to Cairo before returning to Washington to work on his manuscript. The publication deadline is April 1984, the fifth anniversary of the signing of the peace treaty on the White House lawn.

PARTY TIME. Able Nathan celebrated the 17th anniversary of his peace flight to Egypt with a big bash in a Tel Aviv hotel. It was attended by politicians of various shades, including Tourism Minister

Avraham Sharir, Labour's Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin, and Shimon's Amnon Rubinstein, as well as Egypt's chargé d'affaires Mohammed Abdel Aziz Bassiony and counsellor Dr. Ahmed Mahmoud Goma'. The hundreds of guests enjoyed the flavour of the Oriental evening, which included a belly-dancer perched on a camel.

SHARIR-WAS ALSO a guest at the farewell party for Jerusalem Plaza general manager Bill Martens, who is soon to leave for Calgary after two years in Israel. Also attending to say goodbye to Martens and to welcome his successor, Israeli Bernard Kohn were such notables as Mayor Teddy Kollek, Kahan Commission member Aluf (res.) Yona Efrat, and Rafi Nelson, an old pal of Kohn's from the latter's days in Eilat.

In brief remarks, Sharir paid tribute to the sumptuous spread put out by Plaza chef Shalom Kadush and his crew, saying: "It's certainly better than the borekas we get at Sunday cabinet meetings."

THE NEW CHAIRMAN of the Israel Friends of the Israel Museum is Ayala Sacks-Abramov; its newly formed young patrons' committee also has a new chairman in Jerusalem businessman Avi Armon. Last week he took other young patrons for a treat to the elegant, picture-hung home of reclusive Charlotte Bergman.

HISTADRUT Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel said, "In Israel we tend to make too many speeches; if we exported them we'd be a rich country," when addressing midweek a dinner held honour of Moss Evans, general-secretary of the 1.5 million-strong British Transport and General Workers' Union and his three fellow executive members, Edwin Beckett, Ralph Connelly and Jack Skelton. The British Airways plane bringing the first British unionist delegation in years was struck by lightning as it was about to land, Evans related.

PHOTOGRAPHER Reuben Castro was awarded the prestigious George Polk Prize this week by Long Island University for his photo of an Israeli soldier giving a wounded Syrian soldier some water during the war in Lebanon. Reuben is the son of Marcel Castro, the veteran photographer of the AP bureau in Tel Aviv.



(Debbie Cooper)

Growing challenge

By LEA LEVAVI / Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE NUMBER of Israelis over 75 will increase by more than 60 per cent by the end of the decade and will reach 171,000. The figures come from Prof. Yacov Menczel, chairman of the Israel Gerontology Association. When it held its biennial congress at the Weizmann Institute this winter, there were several pressing subjects on the agenda, both for the specialists and society. They represent the challenge of how to care humanely, and at an affordable price, for so many elderly individuals.

If care had to be provided in existing institutional frameworks, Professor Menczel says, the country would need 4,000 new geriatric beds by 1986, and another 600 a year after that. Three thousand additional medical and paramedical professionals would also be required.

Since these are unrealistic goals, the alternative — perhaps a better alternative for the individual served — is home care. The doctor, nurse, physiotherapist, occupational therapist, social worker and volunteer will have to come to the elderly patient's home, and families will have to be helped to assume more of the burden.

This is only one side of the coin, however. Attention must be paid to the elderly who are ill and no longer independent, and to the untapped potential of persons over 65, and even over 75.

Dr. Jack Haviv, director of the Brookdale Institute and secretary-general of the Gerontology Association, points out that 40 per cent of men over 65 continue to work in their occupations. Others work in new occupations or as volunteers.

ABOUT A THIRD of the elderly, help their children financially, and this is equal to the number of reverse cases in which children support their elderly parents, says Haviv. The trouble is, he complained, that employers are reluctant to hire anyone over 50, let alone 65. The public also has the mistaken impression, he says, that chronological age and biological age are the same.

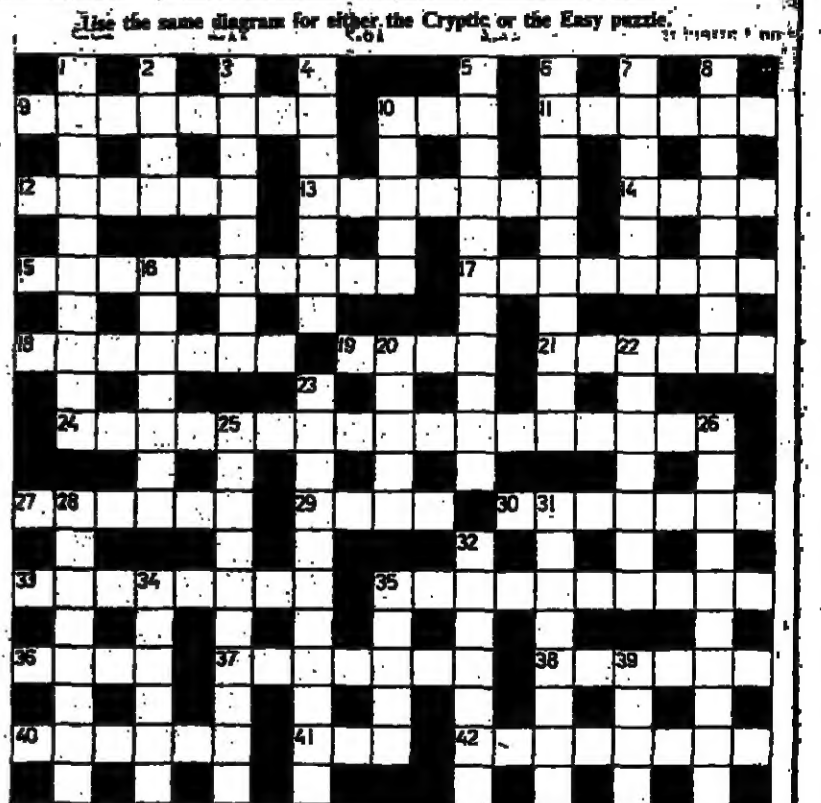
"There are many people in their seventies and eighties who are still active and contributing to society, and there are people who are chronologically much younger who, because of poor health or other reasons, are 'old' before their time."

TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Will be working, if I can turn it back on (2, 6)
 - Don't keep rubbish (3)
 - Involve the back row, at the centre (6)
 - The tree was undamaged. Mr. Disney held (6)
 - The cost of filling the river with swans (7)
 - A hair of the cat! (4)
 - Fore-warning, as a safeguard (10)
 - Friendly and pleasant though having caught cold (8)
 - Somehow spares the time to go in and produce meals (7)
 - Long article on Cuba and Hungary, for the motorist (4)
 - Stole quietly away and moved very slowly (6)
 - Was mum in pain? (8, 2, 7)
 - And a piece is written about the outlaw (6)
 - Returned the document, too (4)
 - Agrees to change the front page forecast (7)
 - Prevent the attendant strike (8)
 - Get all the notes out of order? (10)
 - The water was running when I entered (4)
 - The wrong gear-change does appeal one (7)
 - Change into and it will look good on (6)
 - Are out when you knock (6)
 - In aspic, eggs, in the refrigerator (3)
 - Paying by putting a pound inside (8)
- DOWN**
- The injustice of being ugly? (10)
 - In business in the picture (4)
 - Brown under a cloud, you suspect (8)



- 4** From a darting glance about I find it's heavenly (7)
- 5** Be horrified to lose your seat? (5, 6)
- 6** "Turned out fine," I cable. "Good for you" (10)
- 7** She does spill the beans in South America (6)
- 8** Go to pieces when the deficit mounts and plunge out (8)
- 10** Name one president to take up residence in Yorkshire (5)
- 16** Teased the threshers? (7)
- 20** Right back with desert in an instant (5)
- 22** As an act, playing a game (7)
- 23** Convinced the anaesthetic has worked? (4, 7)
- 25** A dust jacket for "Man In The Field" (5, 5)
- 26** A fight to get employment? (10)
- 28** Does take the cut tart in and it is enticing (8)
- 31** The undercooked parts have a cheesy taste (8)
- 32** Slander makes Parsoes wild (7)
- 34** Bet I'd be held up as an authority (6)
- 35** It's the bird with the pink tail, dear, flying about (5)
- 39** Give a name and number to everybody (4)

EASY PUZZLE

- ACROSS**
- Contaminated (8)
 - Hawaiian garland (3)
 - Unassuming (6)
 - Cadge (6)
 - Drive back (7)
 - Hard wood (4)
 - Wills (10)
 - Nasal passages (8)
 - Mends (7)
 - Worry (4)
 - Most recent (6)
 - Short-term worker (9, 8)
 - Overtakes (6)
 - Quiet spell (4)

- DOWN**
- Full amount (10)
 - Blueprint (4)
 - Piece of bunting (8)
 - Worshipping (7)
 - Just basking the hours (7, 4)
 - Objective (10)
 - Senior journalist (6)
 - Attacks (8)
 - Runs (5)
 - Emotional shocks (7)
 - Regal (5)
 - Intercepts (7)
 - Anarchy (11)
 - Morbid preoccupations (10)
 - Figure of speech (10)
 - Surprise greatly (8)
 - Signed on (8)
 - Smeared (7)
 - Necessitate (6)
 - Cut into shape (5)
 - Unit of power (4)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS — 4, B-all-ad. 7, Toulouse (to lose). 8, St-ream. 10, Lions. 13, Dora. 14, Edna. 15, SE-MI. 16, FO-X. 17, Saul. 19, Strm. 21, Bada-into-a. 23, Halo. 24, Veer. 26, Gay. 27, Nee-d. 29, Stab. 32, Liar. 33, Goose (Green). 34, Remins. 35, Equation. 36, Strand.

DOWN — 1, Stale. 2, Pu-ton. 3, Joy's. 4, Res-OM. 5, Lira. 6,

Amazon. 9, Triste. 11, Ida(ho). 12, Nasal. 13, Deliver. 15, Se-M. 16, (for)Fm. 18, A-don-is. 20, Tono. 21, Bay. 22, Ned (rev). 23, Hi-be-rt. 25, Was. 28, Eased. 30, Tonic. 31, Be-ay. 32, Lira (S-las). 33, Consl.

Yesterday's Easy Solution

ACROSS — 4, Pepper. 7, Lingerie. 8, Kaolin. 10, Split. 13, Roll. 14, Tied. 15, Peel. 16, Ate. 17, Ices. 19, Ows. 21, Cor-

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By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

unchanged. The shares of the First International Bank were not as fortunate and declined by 4%.

Mortgage Bank reacted to selling pressures by moving lower. Adamim absorbed a 10% loss, while the shares of the Independence Mortgage Bank were down by 9.8%.

The specialized financial institutions saw their equities take it on the chin. The Contractors Centre shares were 10% losers, while Shilton was felled for 11.3%.

Insurance issues found little support and prices fell sharply. Hamishmar-Harel 5.0 was down by 10% while the option lost 20%.

Menora 1.0 fell by 9.7% as did Sahar (R).

Worst hit were the service and trade company shares. The Lighterage 0.5 shares were 10% lower, while the two Cold Storage shares were "sellers only." Clal Computers was down by 9.9%.

The Bonded Warehouse issues were sharply lower. The 0.1 shares were 5% down in the wake of a "sellers only" situation. The 0.5 shares were 10.2% lower, while the option was down by 12.3%.

Ten per cent losers in the land development and real estate group included: Azorim, Darad, Mishnuel, Matam option, Levinstein 5.0, Sahaf 1.0 and Rassco Pref.

Among industrials Urdan 0.5, in spite of its recent excellent financial report, was 10% lower. Agan Chemicals reached a low at 580, after losing 9.4%.

I.P. Industries was heavily sold but only after it had declined by 13.9%. Ata C was "sellers only" as was the case with Atlas.

Tromasbestos 1.0 was down by 6.7%, while the option slid by nearly 17%. Yach was "sellers only" for the second time, while its option tumbled by no less than 18.6%.

The Clal Israel option was nearly 15% lower.

Most active stocks

Mizrahi R	1026	6374.0	+6
Coral Beach	145.5	2,285.7	-1.4
Ata C	181	2,003.3	-5.5
Shares traded:	15,812.0m.		
Turnover:	151.8m.		
Bonds:	151.1m.		

Bank of Israel exchange rates

March 3, 1983

U.S. dollar	37.9569
British sterling	57.3092
German mark	15.6792
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Dutch guilder	14.1789
Swiss franc	18.5223
Swedish krona	5.0874
Norwegian krone	5.3168
Danish krone	4.3905
Finnish mark	7.0239
Canadian dollar	31.0279
Australian dollar	36.0040
South African rand	34.8577
Belgian franc (10)	7.9545
Austrian schilling (10)	22.3099
Italian lire (100)	2.7109
Japanese yen (100)	16.0596
Jordanian dinar	106.66
Lebanese pound	9.24
Egyptian pound	34.5826

FLYING AGAIN. — Egypt's national airline Egyptair is to resume flights to Baghdad on March 15.

MACCABI

(Continued from Page One)

punctuated by many misses, squandered balls and sloppy shooting. Maccabi, sluggish and never relying on their normally characteristic fast breaks, were more than a trifle fortunate to slide into a 41-39 lead at the half.

After the break, however, and especially during a dizzy five-minute spell midway through when Maccabi ran for the first time into a nine-point lead — it was another story. They climbed into top gear as Lasoff neutralized the Ford colossus Brewer.

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IDB A	1520	s.o.i.	-1	-0.07
IDB op 11	1820	66	n.c.	—
Union R	2325	121	n.c.	—
Union op 4	8273	—	+201	+2.5
Discount R	3164	345	-34	-1.1
Discount A	3164	188	+14	+0.4
Discount op 2	2550	12	n.c.	—
Discount B	355	87	+1	+0.3
Mizrahi R	1026	6,374	+6	+0.6
Mizrahi op 3	16000	—	+300	+1.8
Mizrahi op 11	4500	10	+160	+3.7
Mizrahi op 6	9200	86	+20	+2.2
Mizrahi op 7	7190	1	n.c.	—
Mizrahi op 9	415	84	+2	+0.5
Mizrahi op 10	1166	1,034	-130	-10.0
Mizrahi op 11	1745	9	-246	-14.1
Mizrahi op 12	466	1,917	-52	-10.0
Mizrahi op 13	5849	3	n.c.	—
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Who needs Hussein?

AS THE OCCUPYING POWER in the West Bank and Gaza, Israel has both obligations and rights. The occupying authorities may, indeed must, maintain law and order in the areas, and they have far larger leeway in doing so than do the civilian authorities this side of what used to be called the Green Line.

In asking the Knesset to set aside a motion for the agenda by the Alignment's Yossi Sarid this week on the government's policy in the occupied areas, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir did not, however, choose to invoke the rights and obligations of an occupier. On the contrary: in brushing aside charges that continued occupation led to Israel's brutalization and dehumanization as an occupier, Mr. Shamir raised the argument of terminological inaccuracy.

Israel, the foreign minister declared, was not an occupier but a liberator of Judea, Samaria and Gaza.

This was a familiar claim, but the conclusion drawn from it by Mr. Shamir had a novel twist to it. When the present government was constituted, 19 months ago, it pledged that, at the end of the "transitional period" of autonomy, Israel would raise its claim and act to realize its right of sovereignty over the areas. In his devotion to the Herut party doctrine, Mr. Shamir has now gone beyond the government's original "policy guidelines."

There is no need ever to annex the areas, the foreign minister exclaimed. "They are part of Eretz Yisrael, and what is part of your country you do not annex."

A more blatant disavowal of the Camp David accords, it would be hard to imagine. These four-and-a-half year old accords — is it still necessary to recall such basic facts? — provided for talks to start not later than the third year of the autonomy among Egypt, Israel, Jordan and "the elected (Arab) representatives of the inhabitants of the West Bank and Gaza." The talks would be based on Resolution 242, and they would aim "to determine the final status of the West Bank and Gaza and its relationship with its neighbors, and to conclude a peace treaty between Israel and Jordan by the end of the transitional period."

The present government's "policy guidelines" twisted this provision out of shape. Now the foreign minister has brazenly trumped it underfoot.

Mr. Shamir is member of an administration whose head has openly invited King Hussein to join in the peace process within the framework of the Camp David accords, and without preconditions. Yet Mr. Shamir has himself now set clear preconditions for such participation.

The foreign minister's policy statement was in effect a disinclination to the Hashemite monarch to engage in peace talks — except on the prior understanding that, regardless of the requirement of withdrawal to "secure and recognized boundaries" in Resolution 242, he would never recover, or obtain, a single square inch of Palestinian territory, no matter how accommodating he might be on matters of peace and security.

At the same time the statement served notice that, although the Palestinians are supposed to participate in the determination of their own future, they would, in the end, count for nothing. Their "legitimate rights" and "just requirements," formally recognized by Israel, will at most amount to autonomy, Israel style, under Israel rule.

Starting from the premise that Israel could not be an occupier in its own land, Mr. Shamir has thus contrived to demonstrate the totality of the occupier's vision.

Paradoxically, though, the foreign minister's entire argument rested on the unspoken assumption that King Hussein would indeed feel disinclined, and decline to talk peace with Israel. This would presumably free the government from the necessity to justify its reneging on international undertakings. It is still possible, despite his dallying, that King Hussein will not be so eager to cooperate on this point with Mr. Shamir and Mr. Begin.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS. FIVE deaf and mute people were found guilty of disturbing the peace in a Glasgow tavern row recently which took more than 20 police to unravel. The three men and two women were among 15 people holding a deaf and mute wake for a friend killed in a road accident. They became angry when they were refused more drink.

Burmah. Agnes McMenamin said two of the group made strangling gestures and indicated she was going to get her throat cut.

Police arrived and wrote out notes telling the mute mourners to leave. They refused and the silence ended with their ejection amid the overthrow of tables and chairs.

The court deferred sentence for six months subject to good behaviour.

PS. THE ISRAEL Philatelic Services, in conjunction with the Israel Cancer Society, is putting out a new postage stamp with the message "Life without smoking is sweeter." The stamp, in sheets of 15, is illustrated with a simple ashtray filled with candy, rather than cigarette butts. The stamp's face value is IS7.

J.S.J.

PS. VIOLINIST Yehudi Menuhin recently forgot to remove his cuff links when he sent his shirt to the cleaners. Now the \$7,000 jewelry pieces, the gift of a king, are missing.

The cuff links, platinum with diamond settings, were given to Menuhin in 1943 by King George VI of England, according to a Seattle police report. They were initially "G.R." for George Rex.

Menuhin, 66, who was in Seattle to appear as a soloist with the Seattle Symphony, told police he thought the cuff links were on a shirt he sent to the cleaners. When the shirt was returned, the cuff links were gone.

PS. WITH the weather so much in our minds these days, a Jerusalem reader sends us a timely historical note. She points out that when Mr. Luhrany, the official meteorologist during the Mandate period, was asked how he managed to be so accurate in his forecasts, he is said to have replied: "Every morning I look at my Yemenite neighbors' balcony. If the washing is hanging out it will be fair weather. If not, there will be rain."

R.B.

Striking at the public

By YOSEF GOELL

ONE CAN SAFELY assume that the vast majority, if not all, of Israel's 8,500 doctors were among those thinking Israelis who have been expressing profound concern over the past few weeks at the apparently uncontrolled descent into violence in a growing number of public arenas.

It is because Israel's doctors have such a well-deserved reputation for being concerned with the welfare of the population and not only with their own pocketbooks that this week's gimmicky strike action decreed by the Israel Medical Association becomes apparent.

It is hard to imagine a more egregious form of violence against the broad public than the IMA's decision to deny medical assistance in public health institutions to patients who either cannot afford to pay the IS600 fee, or who refuse to pay it because they see it as unilaterally decreed highway robbery.

One of the ironic aspects of Israel's turbulent labour scene is that the lowest-paid workers, those employed on the farms and in the factories hardly ever strike. The best-paid workers, nearly always in the public services, have increasingly resorted to the questionable practice of holding the public to ransom as the only means of loosening Treasury's grasp on the tightly-drawn strings of the national moneybags. Teachers when they strike hope to inconvenience the people who need their baby-sitting services; court officials do not hesitate to put an additional spoke in the slowly-grinding wheels of the law courts, and so on and so forth.

A supine Israeli public has learned to put up with many of these shenanigans. But it is doubtful whether the heads of the IMA have correctly gauged the outrage with which people will view the escalation of this stratagem to the field of public medicine.

WITHOUT wishing to play the prophet, it seems very likely that if

this resort to institutionalized violence against the public continues into next week we will witness a good deal of personal violence against doctors standing with outstretched arms and open palms at the entrance to hospital emergency rooms and Kupat Holim clinics.

It would be well if the IMA leadership, and the more responsible among the rank-and-file, were to reconsider their tactics before it comes to that.

Not that the doctors don't have a case. And not that they haven't been driven into their present state of frustration and cynicism by the purposely dilatory tactics of the Treasury negotiators.

None of this, however, can justify the flight from the sense of responsibility that one should expect from physicians who have been educated in their profession at the public's expense and who have sworn to devote themselves to that public's welfare.

The doctors not only have a case; they have two cases, over which they deserve widespread public support. But their leaders are also trying to use these legitimate cases as fronts for turning their profession into the money-grubbing travesty of a health care system that makes the American medical scene, for example, so much worse than Israel's.

One does not need to enter into the arcane world of comparative pay-slips, genuine and spurious, to agree that many of the young, and not-so-young, interns and junior residents who man the hospitals are shockingly underpaid, and even more shockingly overworked.

The overwork, expressed in the large number of extra shifts demanded of two doctors, is a reflection not only of the doctors' financial need after many years of gruelling training, but also of medieval practices still sanctioned by the older doctors who control the IMA and who run the hospitals. The insultingly poor basic pay for

The Friday Dry Bones



the standard day's work, which forces so many of these young doctors to accept those extra shifts, is yet another reflection of the Treasury's traditional penchant for penny-wise, pound-foolish wage policies. The Treasury is now reported to have agreed to raise the basic salaries of these underpaid doctors within the framework of the 22 per cent ceiling recently set for rises in the public sector. It may well be, however, that they have been so exploited until now that the 22 per cent ceiling would merit some stretching in this instance.

The doctors have an even stronger case in regard to the dangerous underfunding of the hospitals in which they work. But it would seem that the same doctors and hospital directors who sought to dramatize the plight of their institutions only a fortnight ago have forgotten all that this week. How else explain an IMA demand for a package that would cost the national purse IS10 billion as opposed to the just over IS 2 billion it would cost to rationalize the salaries of low-paid doctors?

If the IMA does succeed in squeezing any of the difference between those two sums out of the Treasury it will undeniably be partly at the expense of the very hospital departments which have been starved of the budgets they need.

WHERE THE IMA is dead wrong is in trying to exploit these two justified issues for the benefit of a third and more of the senior doctors in the public services who are already among the best paid among Israel's salaried professionals.

What the IMA spokesmen have been mumbling under their breath is that even these senior doctors are atrociously underpaid as compared with the incomes of other members of the free professions. The comparisons they seem to be inviting are with the privately employed lawyers and the dentists.

The exorbitant charges of many practitioners in these professions, with lawyers working on a commission basis and dentists on the assumption that Israelis are members of the American upper-middle class, have effectively priced their services beyond the reach of most Israelis. They constitute the worst examples of what Israel should not be copying from the U.S.

It is understandable that many doctors, moving in the same social circles, are often jealous of their colleagues' inflated incomes. Legitimizing that jealousy to enable the medical profession to join the breed will, however, spell the end to effective public medicine in Israel that is within the reach of what national budgets and privately-financed health insurance can afford.

Surely this is not what the Israel public should countenance. Nor, for that matter, what responsible public-spirited members of the medical profession should themselves condone.

READERS' LETTERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — According to the Jewish religion, life is a most precious commodity and should be treated reverently. Why is it, then, that, in a Jewish country, the heifers of man — doctors — are treated so shabbily?

In order to earn a livable wage, a doctor working in Kupat Holim or specializing has to work overtime, generally in a hospital at night. The basic wage of a Kupat Holim doctor is IS14,000 gross (before 'extras') and a resident only earns between IS11,000 and IS13,000 gross — this after seven years of hard studying to qualify as a doctor. Good grief — an

tenacious judgment on the excesses of the PLO, which are similarly prompted by the desperation of a whole people?
TIMOTHY KEYTE
Newbury, Berks.

A SQUARE DEAL FOR DOCTORS
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Why do so many young doctors choose to leave the country after graduating? There are certainly not too many doctors in Israel. Obviously, the attraction overseas is the enormously increased earning capacity. But basically, there are just not enough job openings for doctors in Israel; and not because there is no need for them, but simply because there are not enough positions available.

As I see it, what is urgently needed is an injection of funds into

PLO EXCESSES
To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — In the words of your editorial of February 21, "there can be no doubt that the Irgun, and its excesses, were phenomena that reflected the despair of the Jewish People [sic] during the period of the Holocaust."

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work overtime in order to get a fair wage? No professional person, and certainly no medical man anywhere else in the world, is so badly treated as the average doctor in Israel. Give him a square deal.
YVONNE WEISS
Ramat Gan.

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